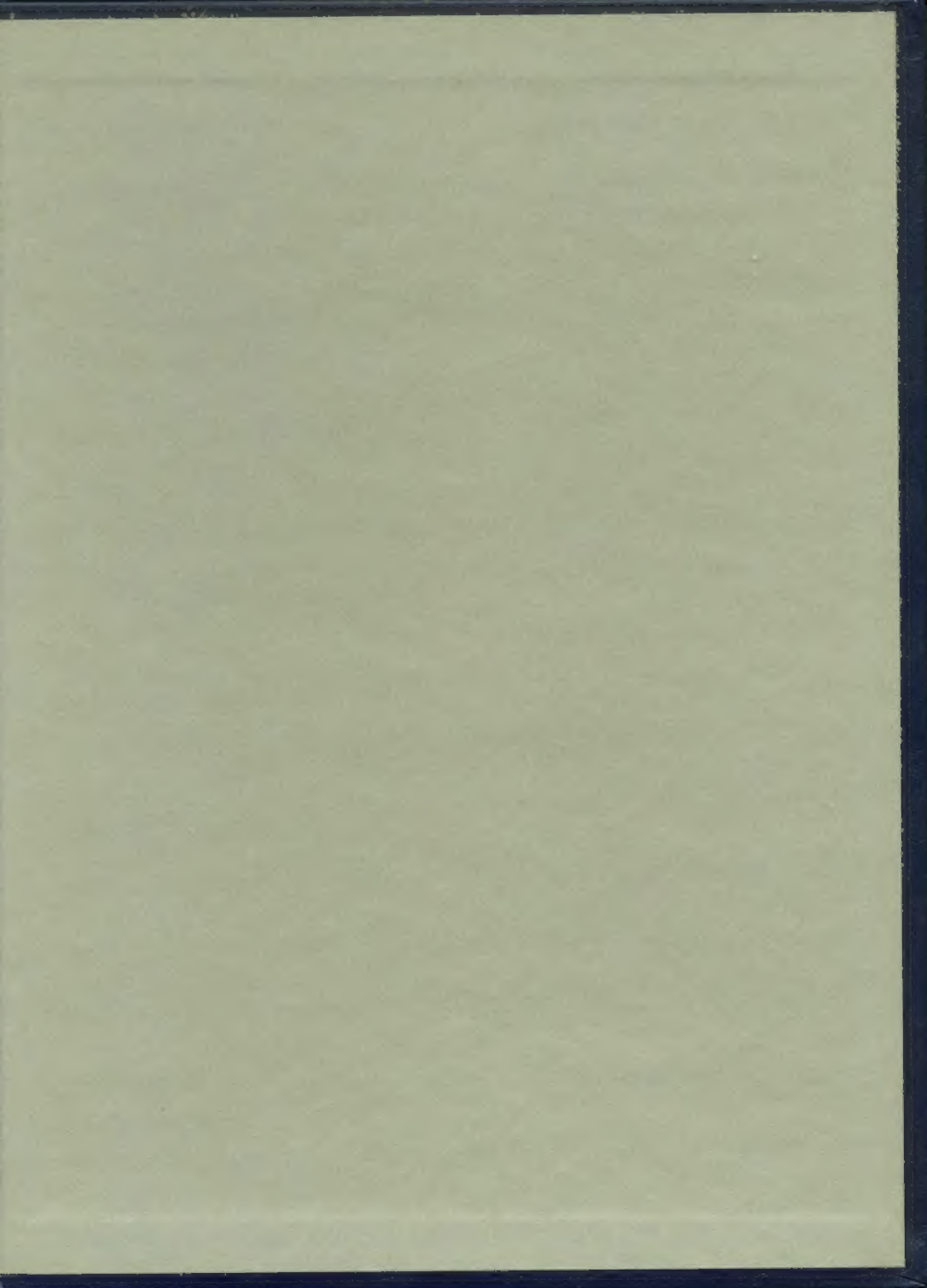




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Top: Bob Thompson, sporting his usual charming smile, gets his books from his locker for his morning classes. Right: Elaine Haney and Jane Spaid chat between classes while Eddie Miller puts books into his locker.





Top: Portage Area High School is a calm, sedate building before the students arrive for their classes. Left: Rick Booth looks serious as he and other members of the Mustang Football Team ready themselves for a game.



*Like the twilight in the road up ahead  
They don't see just where we're goin'  
And all the secrets in the universe  
Whisper in our ears and all the years will come and go  
And take us up, always up . . .*

*Like Columbus in the olden days  
We must gather all our courage  
Sail our ship out on the open sea  
Cast away our fears and all the years will come and go  
And take us up, always up . . .*

Right: Members of the senior trigonometry class listen attentively to an explanation of a problem. Bottom: Amy Fox, Marcie Knapko, Patty Oklamchak, Kathy Gallaher, Ed Miller, and Chris Stombaugh prove that even a senior can enjoy taking a break from classes by posing on the "Mustang" at the elementary play ground.





Left: The starting of the bonfire . . . and another fantastic football year opens the 1980 football season. Bottom left: Elaine Lucas proves that she would make a terrific model as she "poses" for a picture for the roving yearbook photographer. Below: The Varsity Cheerleaders show their excitement as they prepare to cheer during the festivities at the annual bonfire.





Above right: Two students walk to their lockers at the end of another day at P.A.H.S. Bottom right: During the change of classes, the halls fill with the hustle and bustle of students moving to their next class. Right: Laura Tavernini sits quietly in her homeroom before school gets underway. Above: Carl Richardson, Ted Nesbella, and Bob Thompson keep a record of stats during a Mustang football game.





*So I wanna' laugh while the laughin' is easy'  
I wanna cry if it makes it worthwhile;  
I may never pass this way again;  
That's why I want it with you.*



Right: Rick Davis, Dena Vrabel and Ken Beck take a break from the hectic academic scene to show the artbook photographer the photopencil quarters. Below: Band members Jackie Penrod, Tammy Feathers and Michele Koza share a laughter moment during a football game. It may be they are laughing because Tammy can't see what is happening.





The Excelsior Staff has selected the phrase "We shall pass this way but once" as the theme for the 1981 Portage Area High School Yearbook. The staff believes that this phrase is an accurate reflection of the students' high school life, especially the senior year. A student's high school years are a once in a lifetime occurrence. Upon graduation, these people may never again realize the exciting atmosphere which is present when students are playing in the last football game of the season, ordering class rings, or attending the junior-senior prom. These are experiences which are to be cherished but never relived. The 1981 Excelsior Staff hopes to capture some of the memories which have made the years at Portage Area unique ones for its students. Even though "We shall pass this way but once," the student body will always have fond memories of their high school years at Portage Area High School.



Above, right: Bernie Gorba "smiles" for a picture, displaying his typical calm appearance. Above: Members of the 1980 Homecoming Court Kathy DeMatters, Brenda Smith, Peggy Borise, the 1979 Queen, Mr Jerome Yetzko, Peggy's escort, and Kathy Gallaher exhibit their surprise as Brenda is named the 1980 Homecoming Queen. Left: A typical scene at PAHS is the changing of classes. But where are Bob Tavernini's books?





## FACULTY AND CURRICULUM

There are many phases of school life. One of the primary aspects of a student's school years is the time that he spends in an academic, learning situation. It is during the time of classroom instruction that a student forms a unique relationship with the faculty members who are teaching these students. Hopefully, all students take advantage of each class which they take and learn all they can with the teachers' help, patience, and understanding. Upon graduation from high school, a student may never again receive the educational opportunities such as those which were available to him at Portage Area High School



Far left: "Allow me," graciously offers Mr. Black as he removes Mr. Bernazzoli's lunch tray while Mr. Benko and Mrs. Banks finish their lunch. Left: A visitor is always welcome in room 101 as seen from the friendly hello from Mr. Kittell and his students. Bottom left: Friday is a busy day for Mr. McCabe as he listens to weekly current events reports. Below: Mr. Pieraccini works during his preparation period to check and record scores of a tenth grade biology test.





Bottom right: Mr. Skomra explains the basic fundamentals of trigonometry to his 7th period class. Right: Mrs. Castel collects another one of her challenging geometry tests. Below: In Mr. Ronan's Algebra I class, he will use any means to get his students to do their homework.



Lorainne Castel



Irene Huschak



William Ronan



Adam Skomra

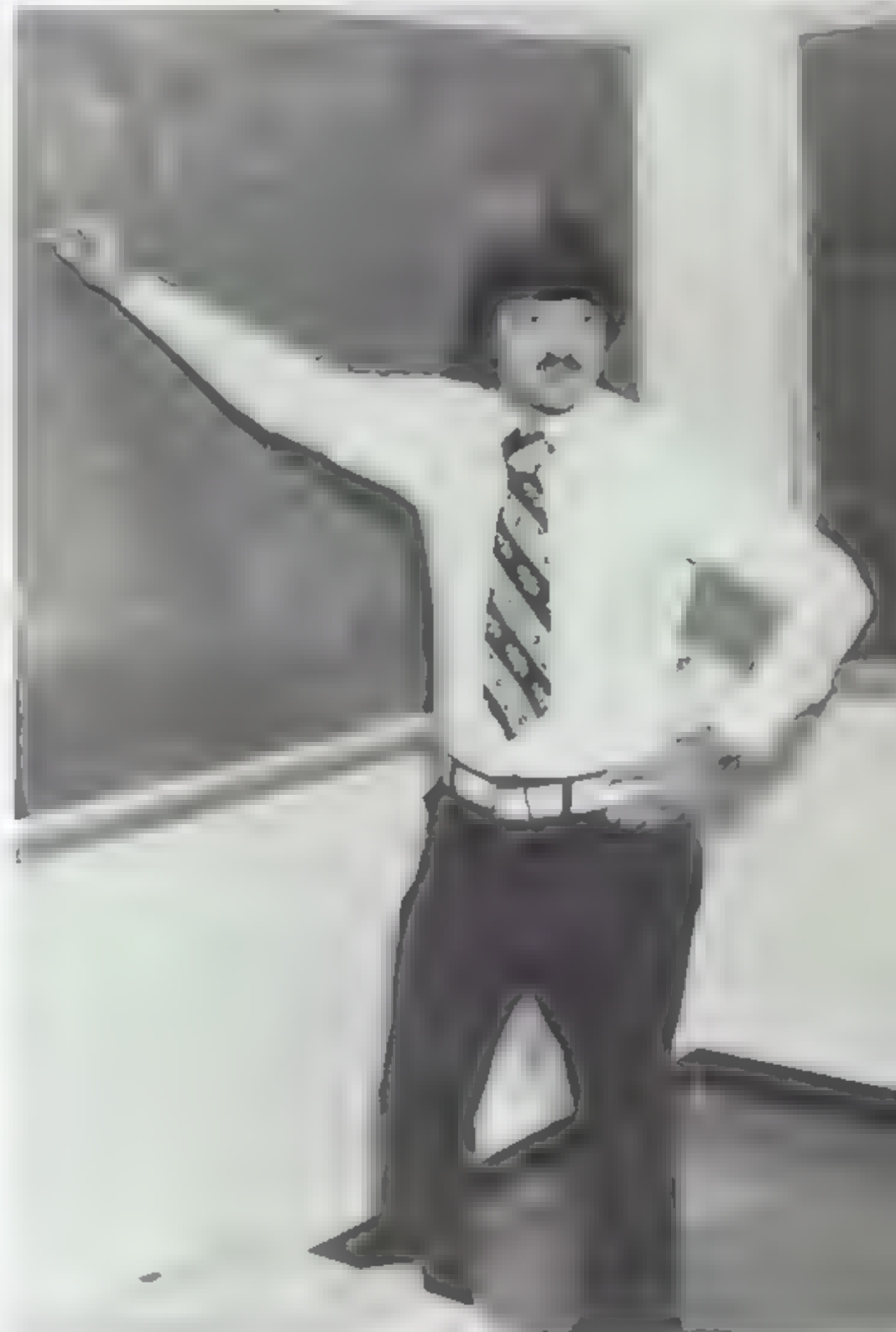


## Math Dept. Offers Numerous Courses

The Math Department offers several curriculum choices for students in grades eight through twelve. Each student must have at least two math courses beyond grade eight.

The choices include essentials of math, Algebra I, geometry, basic math, Algebra II, trigonometry, and calculus. There are two new courses being offered this year; they are consumer math and computer programming.

The math curriculum is designed to meet the needs of all students on various mathematical levels.



## Science Offerings Vary

There are many different science courses a student may take at Portage Area High School. Generally, eighth graders enroll in physical science. Depending upon his ability, a student can decide between life science or Biology I in ninth grade.

In grades ten through twelve, students may choose from several science electives. These choices consist of physical science, life science, Biology I, Biology II, Chemistry I, Chemistry II, physics, electronics, and environmental studies.



J. Cameron Benko



Richard  
Bernazzoli



John Havrilla



Mario Pierraccini



Top: In physical science class, Mr. Benko explains the differences between a physical and a chemical reaction. Above: Mr. Bernazzoli discusses the principles of electrolysis with a ninth grade physical science class. Left: Mr. Havrilla watches as Jackie Szuhaj and Jackie Penrod set up an experiment in Chemistry I.

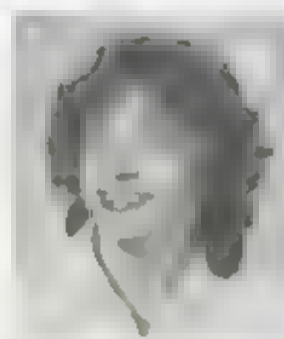
Bottom right: Mr. Vrabel in his inimitable fashion, expounds upon the cultural merits of the study of Oedipus Rex. Below middle: "What do you mean you never heard of the direct object of an infinitive?" exclaims Mrs. Iacurto. Below Mrs. Palmer leads a discussion of the reading of Hamlet



Mary Black



Sandy Covell



Evelyn Iacurto



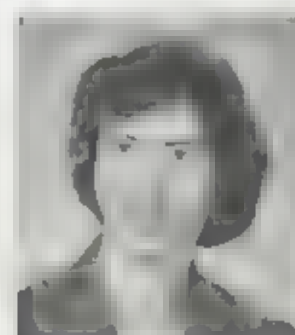
Jean Palmer



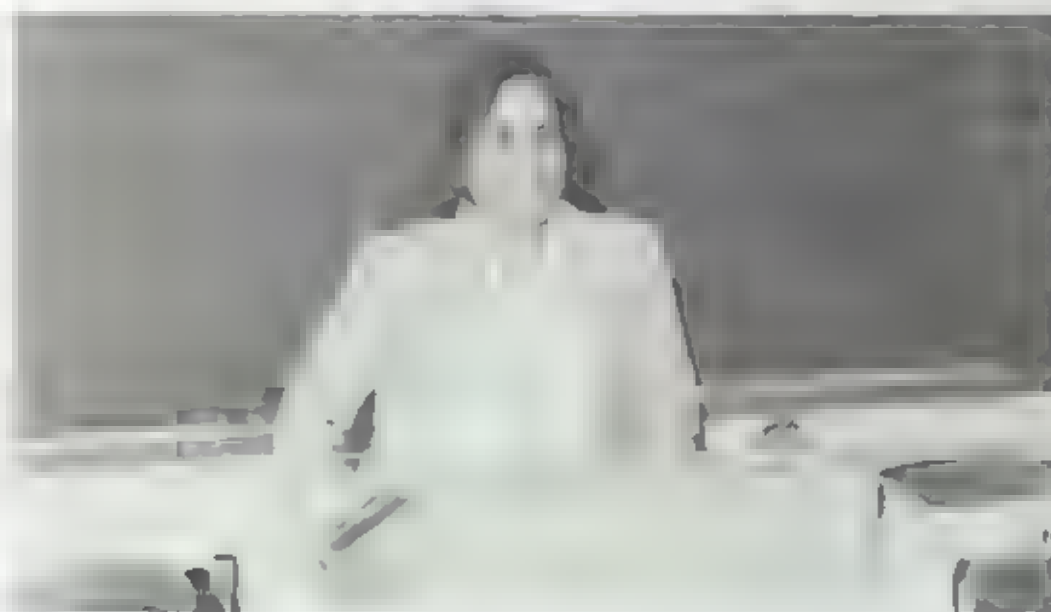
Donald Sheridan



Fred Vrabel



Catherine Yanzetich



## Language Arts Program Promotes Communication And Reading Skills

At P.A.H.S., students have been provided with language arts courses to develop their capabilities in communication areas. Each student must have an English course every year. English classes teach usage, grammar, composition, mechanics, literature, and speech.

Reading courses help students with their reading and their comprehension skills.

An elective course is journalism. In this course, students have the opportunity to use their writing talents in writing for the school paper and the year-book.





Edward Lavo



Larry McCabe



Joseph Norris



George Skutch



Gary Yusko



## Social Studies Classes Explore Past And Present

Answering questions about history will be much easier after students have taken social studies courses throughout their high school years at Portage Area. Students must take a social studies class every year.

Fifth graders take American Cultures I. Freshmen enroll in Pennsylvania history and civics while sophomores study American Cultures II. Juniors study such subjects as ancient civilizations and medieval life in world cultures class. Seniors have the choice of enrolling in P.O.D. or geography.



Top left: Mr. Lavo decides on a grade to give one of his students on a current event speech. Above: Mr. Yusko explains to his students about the American Indian tribes which lived in the western Pennsylvania area in his American Cultures I class.

Below: Mrs. Banks listens to Kim Klein as she explains the possibility of becoming a Foreign Exchange Student in Europe this summer. Leslie Castel and Chris Stombaugh look on. Bottom right: Mrs. Pawlowski checks out a word in the dictionary for the students who are playing a game of scrabble in German.



Trudy Banks



Ursula Pawlowski



## French, German Classes Explore Other Cultures And Languages

Learning a foreign language can be helpful and fun. In foreign language, students study the vocabulary words and their usage. They also learn about the customs and culture of the country itself.

At our school students have a choice between German and French. Each course offers a four year program. These courses are not required, but if a student has a chance, he can take advantage of these offerings.

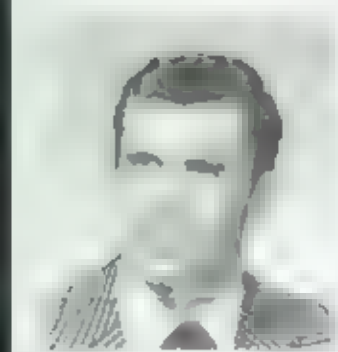




## Business Students Train For Clerical Positions

The Business Department at PAHS provides time for students to develop many skills essential for the modern secretary. There are an abundance of courses to take including bookkeeping, general business, business math, Shorthand I and II, Typing I and II, accounting, office practice, business law, Business English, filing, data processing and consumer education.

Students, after finishing these courses, will be better prepared to get a job in business world.



William Holtz



Carol Matheson

Above left: Charlene Chernicky selects a paper which will give her a "surprise" project for one of her business classes. Middle left: Pam Burkett, Elaine Hancy, Jane Spaid and Debbie Gibson operate the mimeograph machine as they run off an issue of the Hilltop. Above: Mr. Holtz looks over Kathy Koshak's paper as she and the rest of the class take a bookkeeping test.

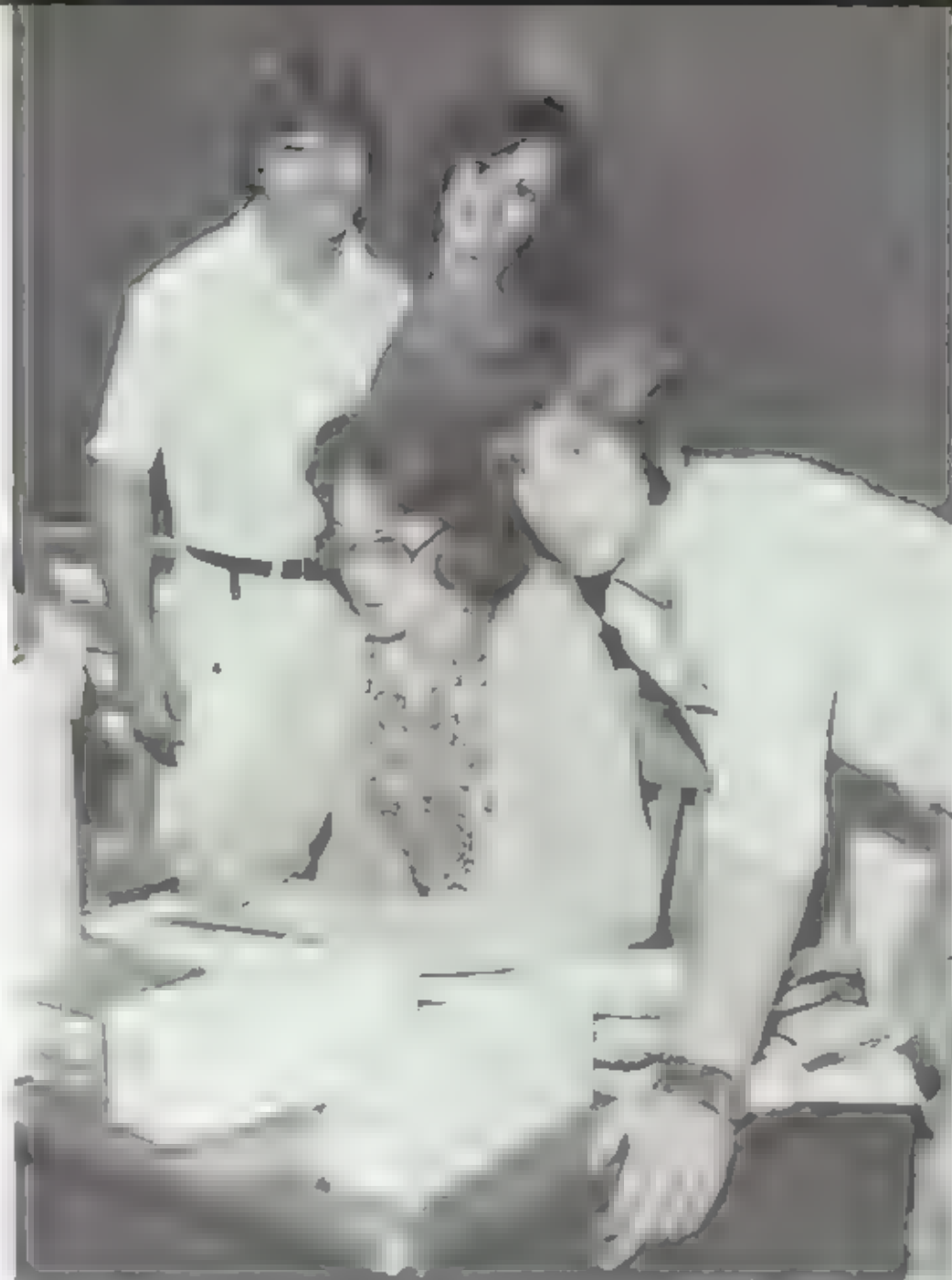
## Art And Music Classes Foster Student Talents

The fine arts department has several courses to develop students' talents in the areas of art and music.

In art, students can work with a wide variety of projects including ceramics, leather crafts, and water colors, just to name a few.

Both the chorus and girls ensemble work hard in preparing concerts which are a source of pleasure and entertainment for their audience.

The band always puts on spectacular performances after practicing for long, hard hours to insure a great production.



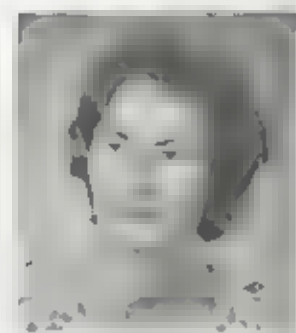
Top right: Dave Gibson, Lisa Walters, and Barry Batdorf receive instructions from Mrs. Voyzey concerning an art project which they will undertake. Above middle: Mr. Nezneski works with band members to perfect an upcoming half-time routine. Above: Mr. Black takes a few minutes away from his students to work on a music selection which the chorus will perform in an upcoming concert.



Ron Black



Edward Nezneski  
Music Supervisor



June Voyzey



Marykathryn  
Jenkins



James Johnson



## Students Gain Practical Training In Shop, Home Ec.

Home economics and industrial arts programs give students the opportunity to gain experience in each of these areas of study.

Shop classes work with both wood and metal crafts. Students learn the fundamentals of working with both wood projects and metal projects. Safety rules are also stressed in working with the machinery which is used in industrial arts.

In the home economics classes, students learn the fundamentals of sewing. Students are also taught the basic tenets of proper nutrition, meal planning and food preparation in the cooking labs.

Top right: Todd Shoff and Charlie Adams steal a taste of meringue that Miss Jenkins has made in a cooking lab while Henry Law tries to convince the class that meringue really is not his favorite food. Above: Mr. Bower demonstrates the proper way to use a radial saw in an industrial arts' class. Watching the demonstration are four freshmen—Don Gouse, Pat Flynn, Emil Branas, and Tom Branas.



James Casale



John Kittell



Joseph Makosky



Milan Saula



Donald Timura



## Students Benefited By Various Services

At P A H S., Mr. Donald Timura, who is home and school visitor, also serves as the coordinator of federal programs at Portage Area.

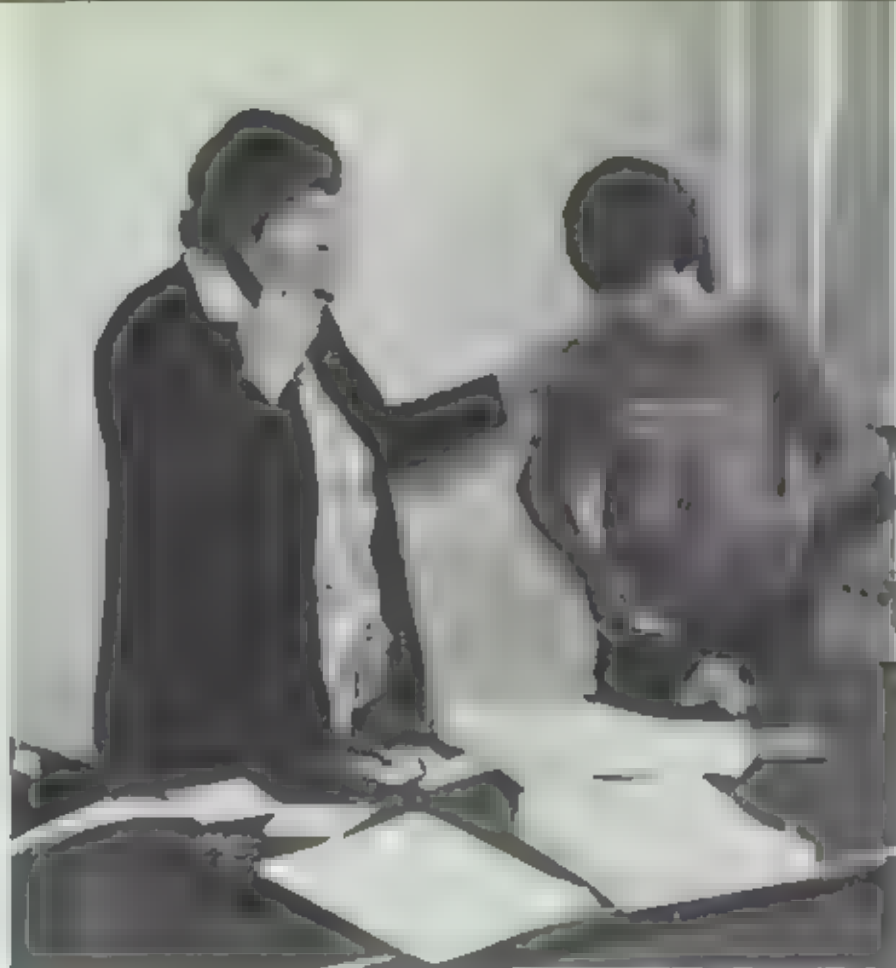
Mr. Makosky is the high school guidance counselor. He administers tests and provides aid and information to those who plan post high school education.

Mr. John Kittell provides special education students with basic skills that will help them in their futures.

Librarian James Casale is always busy helping students find all the information which they need for research papers and reports.

Mr. Milan Saula instructs students on the fundamentals of safe driving. These students receive both classroom instruction and practical experience in driving on the "open road."

Above left: Mr. Saula explains the techniques of driving to Jackie Baith; he is stressing the importance of driving with tires which are fully inflated. Top: Lisa Walters, Cheryl Simmons, and Sheryl Kick check a college catalog with Mr. Makosky. Above: Mr. Timura, home and school visitor, checks the list of students who are being excused early.



## Nurse, Health Classes Phys. Ed. Aid Students

Miss Lazere has a full schedule since she serves as nurse at both the elementary and high schools. She not only helps with sports physicals, but she also listens to the ailments of many students.

Mrs. Slonac and Mr. Campagna, physical education instructors, give students the opportunity to become more physically fit during their gym classes.

Health classes, taught by Mr. Culbertson, are taken by both ninth and tenth graders. These students receive several areas of health study. Two units which are emphasized are first aid and drug and alcohol abuse.



Victor Campagna



Russell Culbertson



Doris Lazere



Margaret Slonac

Top: Miss Lazere calls Chris Pisarski's parents to let them know that Chris is complaining of an upset stomach. Above left: Some students unload their energy in a competitive game of basketball during an afternoon gym class. Above right: Mr. Culbertson's capable substitute Mr. Gruss, relaxes in his room at the end of another busy day.



**BUS DRIVERS**—Left to right, row 1: Frank Goss, Rusty Hochrein, Bart Wagner, Jim Lego. Back row: Bucky George, Bob Geroge, Ray Huff. Absent from photo: Willy Furtkev



**CAFETERIA STAFF**—Left to right: Pat Woods, Bev Hutchinson, Mary Miller, Betty Richardson, Mary Hopper, Ray Torrez, Carolee Hopson—head cook

## Bus Drivers, Custodians Cooks Help Students

The cooks, cafeteria workers and bus drivers are three service groups which help the school run smoothly. The cafeteria staff prepares daily meals that are both appealing and nutritious.

The custodians are always busy making sure that the school is clean and neat. They also make certain that everything is in working order.

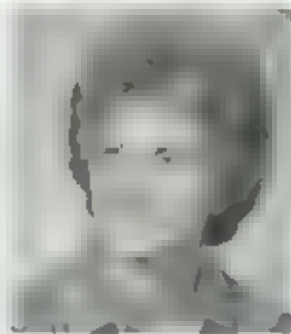
The bus drivers have the responsibility of safely transporting the students to and from school.



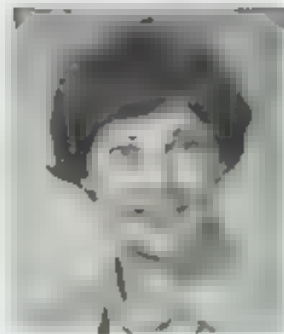
**CUSTODIANS** —Mike Zaher—Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds and Joe Shaw—Daytime Custodian



Eleanor Jenkins



Joann Kistic



Mary Ann Krisko



Marilyn Layo



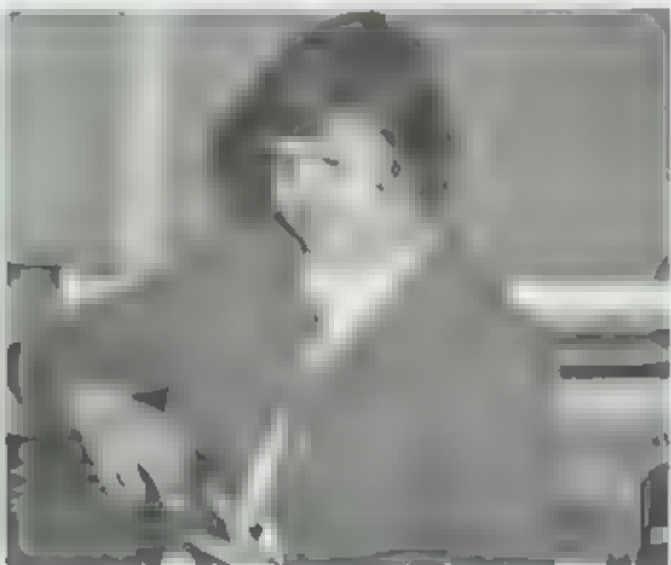
Betty McGough



Stephanie Voss



Jean Ann Wilson



Ethel Girard



Wanda Stombaugh



Above: Mrs. Layo, secretary to Mr. Koza, takes a call during a typically busy day in the assistant principal's office

## Secretaries And Aides Work To Benefit P.A.H.S. Students

The Portage Area School District's secretaries and aides have busy schedules. Their jobs are demanding ones. The services which they provide are valuable to the entire school.

Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Jenkins, and Mrs. Layo, secretaries to Mr. Hepner, Mr. Nyeste, and Mr. Koza, respectively, have busy jobs performing various duties. Miss Voss is kept quite busy as secretary to the business manager, Mr. Wilson. Mrs. Krisko is occupied performing numerous duties in the superintendent's office.

Mrs. Kistic works in the guidance office. Mrs. McGough serves as an aide in the Business Department while Mrs. Girard and Miss Stombaugh work as Math Department aides.



Right: Brian Leturkey, Francis Chappell, and other classmates lift a completed roof truss for the new garage that the construction class is building at the vo-tech. Below: Tammy Allison is busy attending the cash register as she checks out many satisfied customers at Quantity Food Services.

## Admiral Peary Offers Many Vocational Programs

This is Portage Area's seventh year of association with the Admiral Peary Vocational-Technical School in Ebensburg. The P.A.H.S. students who attend the vo-tech are gaining vocational training and experience in such areas as electrical wiring, agriculture, automotive technology, building construction, and many others.

Seniors attend the vo-tech in the afternoon while juniors attend the facility in the morning. These students take their English, history, and physical education classes at Portage Area High School. They may also take any other electives which can be fit into their schedules. Extra-curricular activities are provided by the home school.





Above left: Fall days are the right time for planting spring flower bulbs, and that is the project which Brenda Hershberger has just completed. Top: Rick Kline observes his classmate as he welds the fender of a car they are working on in auto body. Left: Bruce Thomas listens as his instructor explains one of the many new methods of mining. Above: In her cosmetology class at vo-tech, Kim Kick relaxes after completing an assignment.

## Administrative Staff Strives To Promote Sound Education

The administrators of Portage Area High School take time to organize and ensure that the school operates efficiently.

Mr. James Hepner, along with the members of the school board, faculty, students and the community helps to maintain quality education at Portage Area.

Mr. Stephen Nyeste and Mr. John Koza work together to keep the high school moving smoothly. Mr. Koza also works hard in scheduling the athletic events.

Mr. Thomas Wilson is busy performing his duties as Portage Area School District's Business Manager.



Top right: Mr. Wilson takes time to smile for the yearbook photographer. Right: Mr. Hepner, who is always busy at work in his office, checks on some information in his files. Above: Mr. Hepner speaks at the annual National Honor Society induction ceremonies.





Left: Mr. Koza, Mr. Nyeste, and Mr. Campaigna enjoy watching a basketball game in the P.A.H.S. gym. Below left: Mr. Nyeste greets the students with the morning announcements. Below: Mr. Koza is hard at work trying to get things organized for an upcoming athletic event.



James A. Hepner  
Superintendent of  
Schools



Stephen J. Nyeste  
High School Principal



John J. Koza  
Assistant High School  
Principal  
Athletic Director



Thomas R. Wilson  
Business Manager

## School Directors Strive To Promote A Sound Educational School System

The members of the Portage Area School Board have numerous duties and responsibilities. This nine member group is an indispensable part of the school system's operational structure. Although this organization has numerous responsibilities, foremost on their list of duties is to establish, equip, and maintain an adequate number of schools in the district which they represent. The board also possesses the power to levy and collect taxes which they deem necessary for the school system to function properly.

The board of school directors has many other obligations to fulfill. The school board is responsible for fixing the length of the school term, adopting classroom textbooks, hiring teachers and administrators, adopting the budget, and establishing salaries for school district employees.

The members of the school board at Portage Area devote much time and effort into helping to make the educational system at Portage Area a sound one for all the students who attend school in the district.

Above right: Board member Don Kittell waits in the superintendent's office complex for the beginning of one of the monthly board meetings of the Portage area School District. Right: Members of the Portage Area School Board recite the Pledge of Allegiance which traditionally begins each board meeting.





Left: The outside bulletin board welcomes all who enter the Portage Area School Complex



1981 PORTAGE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT'S BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS Left to right row 1 Bernha Fedore secretary Michael D Kittel vice president Brian Ritchey president Row 2 Jerome Yettsko Erda Nedenander Nancy Sherbine Michael Harrison Absent from photo James Basile and Michael Kearney

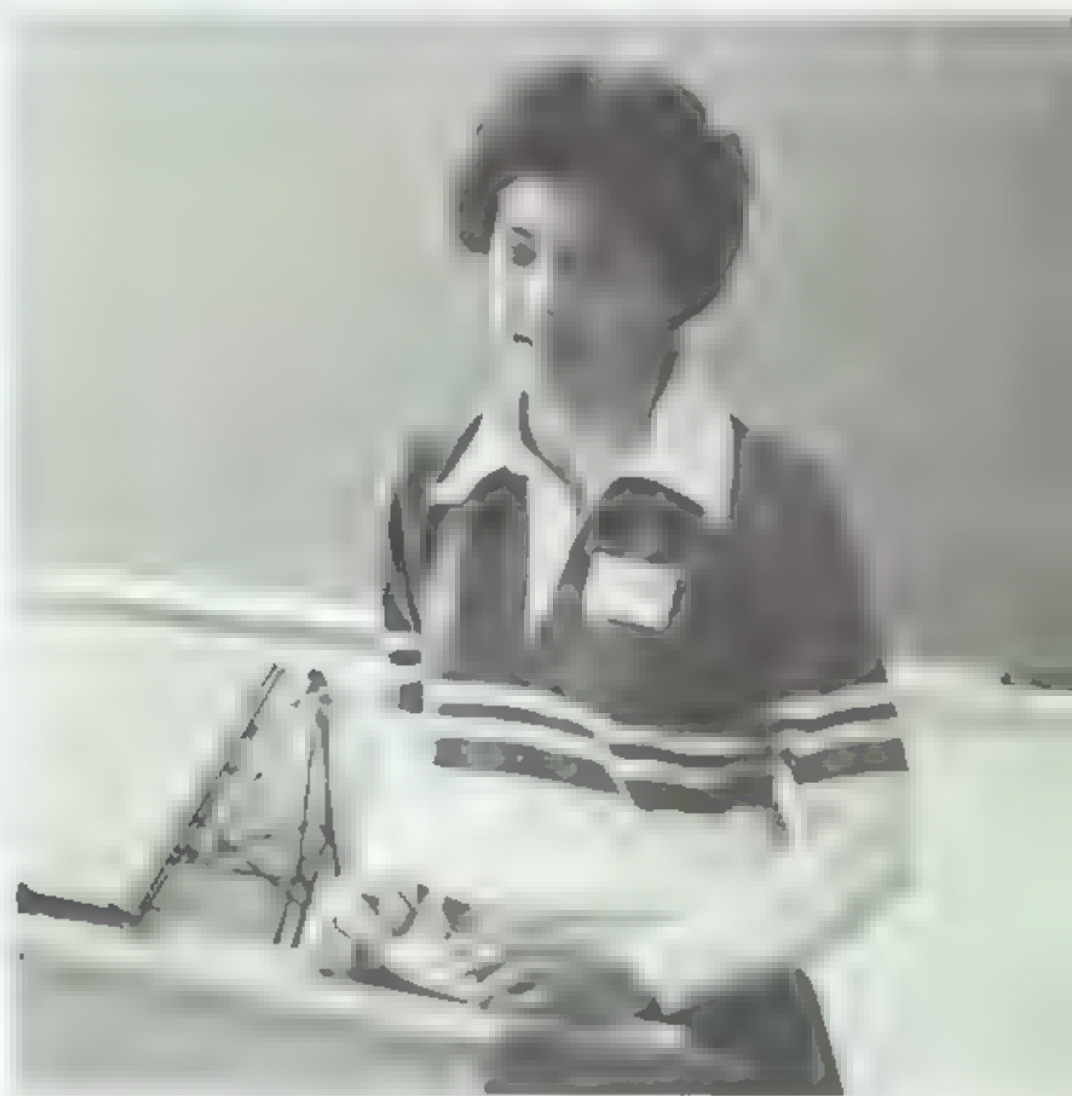


## UNDERCLASSMEN

For underclassmen, their high school years are important. These are the years during which students mature, learn how to interact with other students, and try to decide what they will do following their graduation. During these years, students set goals and work toward their achievement. These are changing times for these students as each year which they spend at P A H S. brings new and different opportunities. Each day in the life of a student happens only "once," and the students must make the most of each day



Far left: Some underclassmen take a break from the classroom routine to socialize with each other during a break from classes at lunch time. Left: Underclassmen take advantage of the PAHS library facilities to do some research. Below left: Yes, it is Rob Wolford "watching all the girls go by." Below: Kathy Borenish delivers a current events speech in her American Cultures II class.



## Juniors Enroll In Variety Of Courses

As a junior, a student at Portage Area is required to take English, world cultures, physical education and driver's education. In addition to the mandatory courses, juniors were able to enroll in elective courses in math, science, French, German, home economics, industrial arts, and several business courses.

Juniors are rather active in numerous extra-curricular activities including sports, organizations such as band, chorus, girls ensemble, stage band, newspaper, yearbook, FBLA, Ag Club, Ski Club, and NHS.



Robert Adams  
Dale Anthonson  
Jackie Barth  
Joe Baker  
Marcia Barno  
Debbie Batahe  
Debbie Bauer  
Ken Beck  
John Belovsky  
Diane Beyer  
Chris Borlie  
Mike Bryja  
Kelly Burket  
Tony Campagna  
Leslie Caste  
Tracy Castel  
Charles Coleman  
Rick Davis  
Vic Deimata  
Mike Farren  
Tammy Feathers  
Laurie Fedorko  
Lynne Fedorko  
Janice Fisher  
Fran Franev  
Ed Frear  
Phil Fryszewicz  
Bill Furtkevic  
Rob Gahagen  
Gary Galla  
Ray George  
Linda Gray  
Chris Grecek  
John Hanak  
Dennis Hande  
Brenda Hershberger  
Loretta Hollop  
John Irwin  
Walter Jaap  
Sue Jubata  
Kim Jubina  
Rick Julian





Joe Kalinoski  
 Kim Kick  
 Kim Kiem  
 Sue Kline  
 Jim Koban  
 Kathy Koshak  
 Tom Kosko  
 Dave Kostan  
 Michele Koza  
 Steve Krisko  
 Sarah Krul  
 Adam Kunko  
 Mike Kunko  
 Tina Lafferty  
 Carrie Lamar  
 Lisa Lamar  
 Troy Layo  
 Scott Lengel  
 Brian Leturkey  
 Tracy Leturkey  
 Elaine Lucas  
 Mike Makusky  
 Sue Mandichak  
 Alfred Maul  
 Jim Miller  
 Kelly Miller  
 Natalie Morgan  
 Mark Moyer  
 Rhonda Moyer  
 Ed Myers  
 Joy McCabe  
 Kerry McCarty  
 Doug McQuillen  
 Paul McVicker  
 George Nagle



Above left: Dave Rucker carries the Junior Class mascot which inspired the class members to sell their quota of magazines during their class selling project. Left: JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS AND ADVISERS—Left to right, sitting: Mike Kunko—Secretary; Vince Ryke—treasurer. Standing: Mr Benko—adviser; Kelly Rucker—vice president; Jim Koban—president, Mr Bernazzoli—adviser.

Bottom right: Juniors work arduously on solving problems on a chemistry test as Mr Havrila, chemistry teacher, looks on. Right: Kim Klein smiles happily. Could it be a smile of relief after the end of a hectic day taking yearbook pictures? Below: Members of a Junior homeroom await the playing of the national anthem which signals the beginning of every school day.



Bill Niper  
Mark Nolan  
Lisa Odenthal  
Ron Oshinsky  
Ted Orlowsky  
Brenda Panick  
Pam Patzack  
Debbie Pauley  
Jackie Pentrod  
George Petney  
Kenny Plummer  
Tim Plummer  
Patty Plummer  
Alan Psuda  
Kathy Ramus  
Ed Raptosh  
Len Reed  
Debbie Ritchey  
Nancy Ritchey  
Dave Rocker  
Vince Ryike  
Ray Sanders  
Val Seder  
Allen Shaffer  
Randy Shott  
Marguerite Sigad  
Michelle Sigadu  
Bronwyn Skrack





Mike Slebodnick  
Shirley Slebodnick  
Jennifer Smith  
Sherrie Smith  
Doug Spahr  
Mary Steback

Jean Stoke  
Jackie Szuhaj  
Michele Tarachko  
Bruce Thomas  
Dan Tyger  
Debbie Trusik

Brian Tutsock  
Tom Varner  
Ida Water  
Barb Weaver  
Debbie Williams  
Fran Williams

Bob Wolford  
Ed Wornak  
Diane Wright  
Tern Wytonick  
Mimi Yetsko  
Craig Zaman



## Juniors Formulate Plans For 1981 PAHS Prom

Next to the senior class, the members of the junior class have a busy year. Since it is their responsibility to plan and host the Junior-Senior Prom, the juniors devote much time and effort into planning this gala event.

To help finance the prom, the juniors conducted their annual magazine sale. This project proved to be a successful one. The juniors also held their annual class dance in November.

\*Photographs not available for Francis Chappell, Rick Kline, Kris Shoff

## Sophomores Conduct Selling Project

The sophomores conducted their first selling project this spring. They decided to sell two types of candy to raise money for their class treasury. The class sold candy bars and boxes of candy through the Q.S.P. Company. Their sale was a successful one. The profit from this project will be used next year to help finance the Junior-Senior Prom.

The sophomores also worked hard to prepare for their annual class dance which was held in the spring.



Rubyn Adams  
 Kelly Andrews  
 Tom Anthouson  
 Joe Bailey  
 Larry Baker  
 Dawn Barrett  
 Cindy Baughman  
 Sherry Baughn  
 Ray Behe  
 Tim Benjack  
 Lance Benko  
 Kathy Borenish  
 Bill Brown  
 Stacy Burns  
 Darren Caervina  
 Sandy Causer  
 Dave Chappell  
 Donna Chappell  
 Terry Chappell  
 Paul Chubany  
 Bill Corrente  
 Dewayne Crum  
 Teresa Cyran  
 Shari Davis  
 Debbie Dehl  
 Susan Ellis  
 Teresa Feathers  
 Brian Fisher  
 Kim Foreman  
 Walter Fox  
 James Fryzlewicz  
 Kris Fuzie  
 Karen Galla  
 Patty Gallaher  
 James Garis





Brenda George  
 Maria George  
 Mark Gibson  
 Melissa Gillin  
 Nina Girard  
 Larry Gloster

Janice Gordon  
 Annette Gossard  
 Karen Gossard  
 Valerie Grecek  
 Alice Gressick  
 Sherry Harlin

Becky Harrison  
 Wendi Hazlett  
 Michael Heisel  
 Beth Hochrein  
 Bonnie Hochrein  
 Linda Hunt

Michael Hutsky  
 Michael Jaap  
 Frank Jubara  
 Bryan Jubara  
 Mary Kalinoski  
 Debbie Kephart



Top left: Carol Teno, Larry Baker, Dewayne Crum, and Frank Jubara prepare to take notes in American Cultures II class. Above: Darren Moore works on homework during activity period. It looks as though Randy Moyer has all of his assignments completed.

Matt Krieman  
 Marlene Klein  
 Kim Koban  
 Bernadette Koston  
 Pete Koza  
 Joan Krnjeck  
 Mary Kuchera  
 Brian Kunko  
 Ron Kuntz  
 Sherry Latherow  
 Kevin Lapor  
 Ray Lee  
 John Leturgey  
 Judy Letzo  
 Suzanne Lutz  
 Andy Majer  
 Charles Makosky  
 Thomas Maloskey  
 Lisa Markovich  
 Jim Michaels  
 Larry Michaels  
 Darren Moore  
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 Terry Moyer  
 William Moyer  
 Barb Myers  
 John Myher  
 Kelly McCabe  
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 Robert McCarty  
 Shawn McDonald  
 Katie McKenney  
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 Becky OShaben  
 Tina Palone  
 Ryan Pauley  
 Steve Petney  
 Thomas Plummer  
 Elizabeth Pourman



Right SOPHOMORE CLASS OF  
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 George Treasurer; Larry Michaels Vice  
 President; Pete Koza President; Paula  
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 answers to questions at the end of a  
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## Sophomores Offered Wide Variety Of Course Selections

When a Portage Area Student becomes a sophomore, he has reached that special plateau---senior high school. His choice of courses becomes extremely important. A sophomore has the option of enrolling in either the academic or the commercial program. The courses offered in each of these programs will prove to be quite important in these students' future years.

In addition to the courses the tenth graders elect to take, each person must enroll in mandatory subjects--English, American Cultures II, physical education, and health.

There are numerous electives such as art, chorus, band, French, or German which these students may take if their schedule permits.



Mark Poorman  
 Kim Popchak  
 Tim Price  
 Brian Richardson  
 Michael Ringler  
 Kim Ritchey  
 Kim Robine  
 Debbie Rocker  
 Deborah Rorabaugh  
 Patty Roush  
 Mark Sanford  
 Rhonda Sausbury  
 Alan Scarron  
 Charles Serenko  
 Jack Shaw  
 Dan Shurey  
 Sheldon Sinclair  
 Karen Spaid  
 Michael Stores  
 Carol Tenn  
 Kathy Thomas  
 Robin Thomas  
 Paula Vancken  
 Tammy Varner  
 Diane Vermeulin  
 Cathy Walters  
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 Karen Yetsko  
 Francine Zaman  
 Phil Zdunczyk  
 Greg Zimmerman  
 Ann Zock

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 Missy Behe  
 Kern Bentley  
 Don Berkhimer  
 Ron Berkhimer  
 Shelly Benjack  
 Tammy Bloom  
 Michael Bodasky  
 John Boelie  
 Emil Branas  
 Thomas Branas  
 Allen Brown  
 Suzanne Bryja  
 Cindy Bryson  
 Dorothy Burkett  
 Phil Butterbaugh  
 Carmelia Campagna  
 Lori Castel  
 Doug Chappell  
 Joel Connelly  
 Jill Crum  
 Bob Crum  
 Bob Cyran  
 Lisa Diehl  
 Tim Enderline  
 Sue Farren  
 Dawn Fetsko  
 Patrick Flynn  
 Randy Forst  
 Robert Fox  
 Tim Franey  
 Tim Fuzic  
 Mark Gahagen  
 Kathy Galla  
 Christopher Gaunt



9th GRADE CLASS OFFICERS Left to right Doug Pauley - president Vanessa Sahala - vice president Sue Farren - treasurer Michelle Spuhr - secretary  
 Above right Mr. Bernazzoli gives an explanation in one of his ninth grade science classes while his students take notes



## Freshmen Enroll In Specified Courses

As a member of the freshman class, students must enroll in certain specified courses. Required courses on the ninth grade level include English, Pennsylvania history, civics, health, art, and physical education. All freshmen take a math and a science course, but the specific course in which a ninth grader enrolls depends upon his or her ability in these areas.

Ninth graders are eligible to take several elective courses if they choose. Their elective options include French, German, home economics, and industrial arts.



Dawn Gentile  
 Neil Glista  
 JoAnne Gossard  
 Don Gouge  
 Robert Grecek  
 Chris Grove  
 Kim Grove  
 Sharon Grove  
 Eric Gruss  
 Brian Hagench  
 Kip Hanak  
 Cindy Harrison  
 Nancy Hodgson  
 John Hoolop  
 Chen Hopper  
 Dave Hornbake  
 Chris Hudak  
 Ray Hufford  
 Keith Kearney  
 Robert Kelly  
 Kristin Kick  
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 William Klein  
 Mary Kleiman  
 Michael Koenigsburg  
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 Richard Kova  
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 Donald Krenjeck  
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 Danny Kusick  
 Sam Lamar  
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 Annette Latoche  
 Lynn Leturges  
 Richard Litzinger  
 Jim Luckenbaugh  
 Dean McCabe  
 Keith McVicker  
 Missy McQuillen  
 Francis Mau.

Rodger Mau  
 Ronald Mau  
 Bonnie Michrins  
 Glenna Morgan  
 Barb Myers  
 Marshall Nagle  
 Michelle Noble  
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 Doug Pauley  
 Ed Pawluski  
 Trina Petrey  
 Bill Piatak  
 Charles Plummer  
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 Dennis Plummer  
 Janae Plummer  
 David Pollock  
 Tammy Poutman  
 Janis Rambeau  
 Doug Redfern  
 Tim Riskus  
 Tom Riskus  
 Lisa Roberts  
 Valerie Sabala  
 Vanessa Sabala  
 Ralph Scotan  
 Paula Secresky  
 Lisa Sendek  
 Glynis Shatter  
 Richard Shatter  
 Shelia Sharpe  
 Linda Sherman  
 Mary Beth Sigado  
 Michael Szwarczyk



## PAHS Class Of 1984 Increases Involvement In School Activities

The Class of 1984 has become increasingly involved in extra-curricular activities. They participated in all areas of sports including football, boys and girls basketball, wrestling, volleyball, track and baseball. Some members of the class became members of the cheer leading squad while others joined such organizations as chorus and band.

These students also belonged to some of the clubs at PAHS including the Ski Club, Ag Club, Bowling club, and the Cross Country Ski Club.

No matter what club, organization, or extra-curricular activity that freshmen participated in, they played an important role.



Above: Mr. Ronan watches as his ninth grade math class tries to solve one of his challenging math problems.



Left Mrs. Pawlowski watches as three of her German I students—Fred Gray, Tony DeLuca, and John Bozlie—play a game in German



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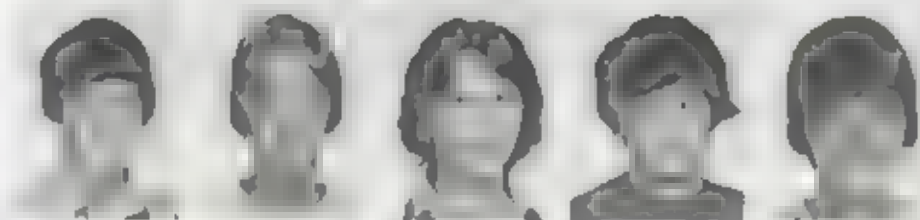
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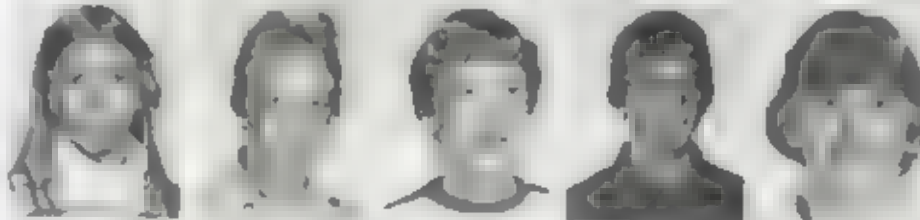
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Linda Causer  
Jeff Chappell  
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Harry Coleman  
Richard Cordek  
Melissa Crum  
Tammy Crum  
Tracie Crum



Wayne Crum  
Kathy Custer  
Raymond Dehaven  
Tony DeLuca  
Brian Diehl



Left: EIGHTH GRADE CLASS OFFICERS—Left to right: John Shuty— president, Rich Rylke—secretary, Karen Myer, vice-president, Renee Wilcox—treasurer. Above right: Mark Keith, Ray Foreman, and Louis Wills, gym bags in hand, head for the gym for one of their bi-weekly phys ed. classes.





## 8th Grade Makes Adjustment To High School Life

Being an eighth grader at Portage Area involves making some adjustments. The primary adjustment involves becoming familiar with the layout and routine of the high school building. The first couple of weeks finds the average eighth grader scurrying up and down the halls in search of his locker, the gymnasium, the cafeteria, or his next classroom.

Eighth graders must also become acquainted with new teachers and some new or different subjects. Also there are a variety of clubs and extra-curricular activities in which these students may participate if they wish.

After a couple of hectic weeks, the eighth graders fit right into the new routine.



Rick Erickson  
Michelle Esenne  
Ted Farbaugh  
Sandy Fatten  
Tim Feathers  
Jeanne Fedorko

Raymond Foreman  
Tim Forn  
Michael Gaila  
Marcia Gahner  
Keith Gahagen  
Bob George

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Kathy George  
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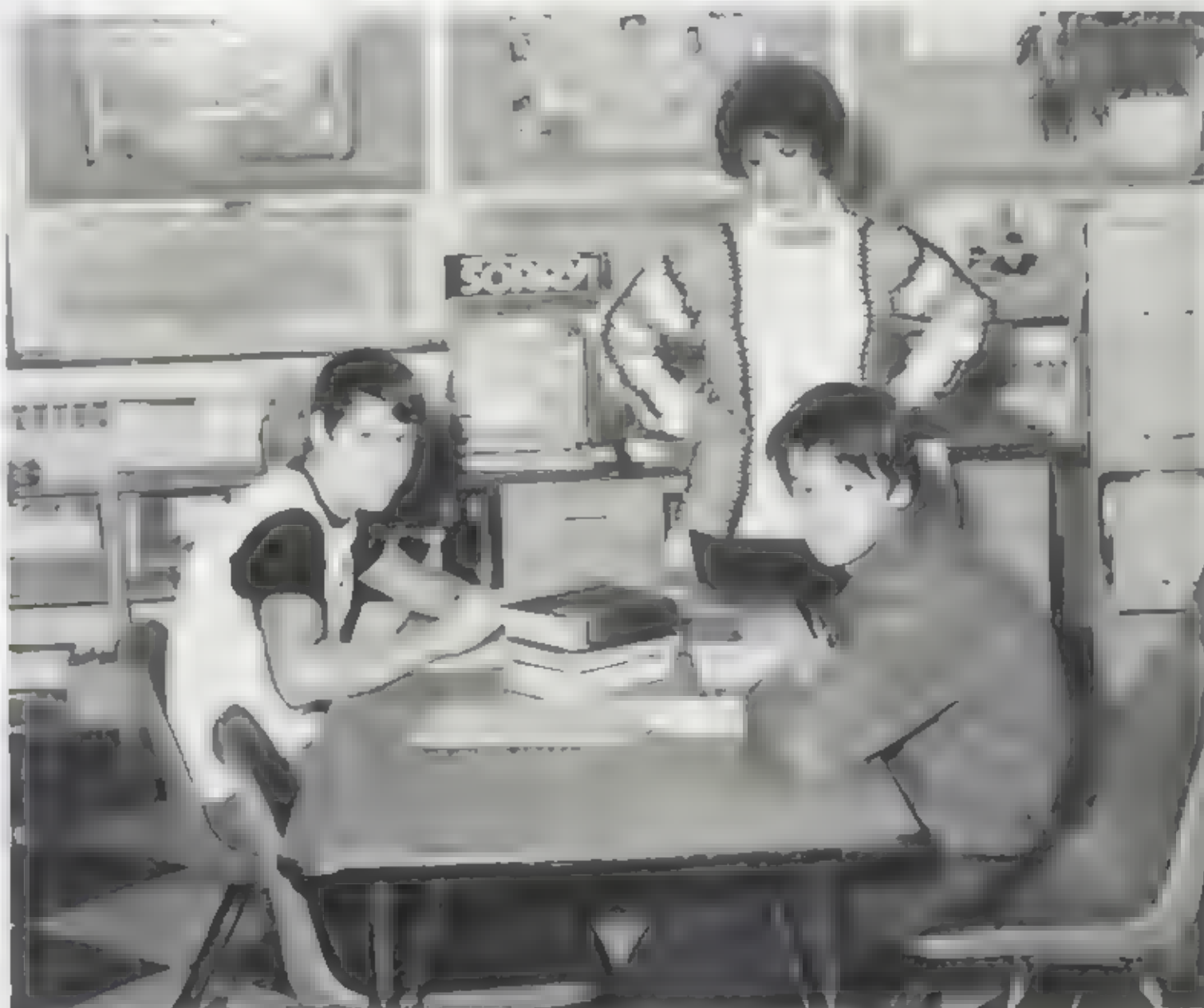
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Tom Leturkey  
Greg Letzo

Tony Letzo  
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 Nanette Martinek  
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 Kristene Miller  
 Dana Moyer  
 Chris Mulhollen  
 Karen Myher  
 Lisa McCabe  
 Sharon McCarthy  
 Lisa McLucas  
 Tracy McVicker  
 Bill Nadolsky  
 Ray Nagle  
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 Gayle Olszewski  
 Scott Parizack  
 Nicholas Pawluk  
 David Petnev  
 Lisa Petnev  
 Wayne Pinos  
 Carol Pisarsk  
 Christopher Pisarski  
 Jeff Plummer  
 Dawn Pomento  
 Lisa Ritchey  
 Thomas Robine



Top right: Mr. Yusko  
 checks a homework as  
 signment in American  
 Cultures I class. Right  
 Miss Covell supervises  
 as two eighth graders  
 work on a reading  
 worksheet





## 8th Graders Take Full Schedules

The schedule for eighth grade students is a full and challenging one. For the most part, the eighth grade course of study consists of prescribed classes. However, there are some electives such as band and chorus which are open to any eighth grader who wishes to enroll in them.

The mandatory class schedule for eighth graders includes courses in math, science, English, American Cultures I, physical education, art, music, and reading. This course load keeps the eighth graders quite busy.



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Richard Ryke  
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Rhonda Schmidt

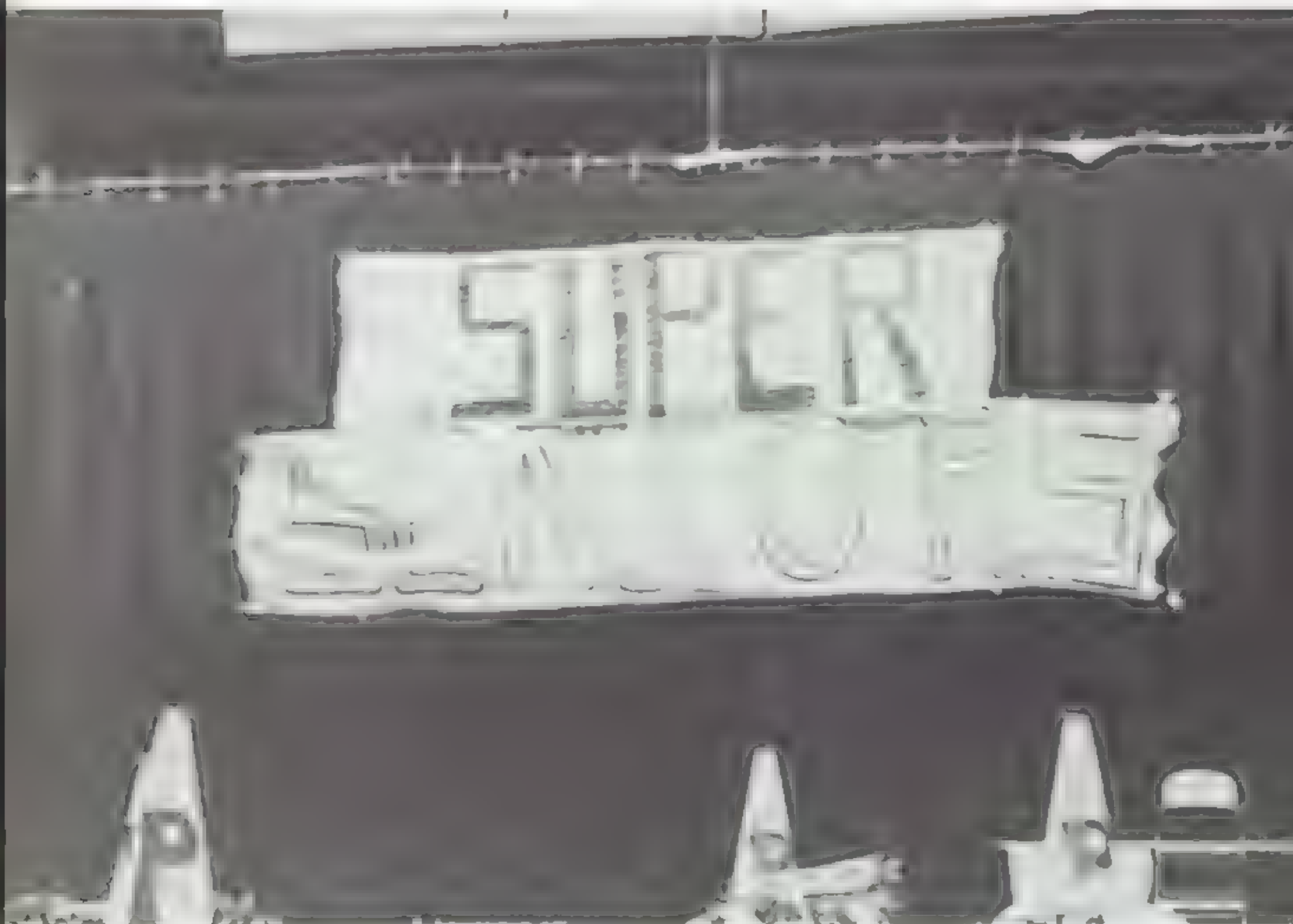
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Crystal Shockey  
Shelly Shoff

John Shury  
Alicia Simms  
Michelle Simmons  
Ronald Smith  
Kim Stager  
Lisa Stager

Sue Stoke  
Stephanie Strombaugh  
Ivan Thomas  
Susan Tigyer  
Hope Walters  
Renee Wilcox

Louis Wills  
Marv Wills  
Krusty Zabrosky  
Kathy Zock  
Debbie Zock  
Karen Zock

\*Photo not available for Gloria Miller



## SENIORS

The senior year in high school involves a flurry of activities. The climax of the senior year comes on graduation day. But, prior to graduation there are many other diversions which occupy the seniors' time. Sitting for senior portraits, ordering senior announcements, and being measured for caps and gowns are reserved for the final year of high school. Seniors also participate in sports and other extra-curricular activities for the last time. Their years of public education are quickly drawing to a close. They devote much time to raising money to help finance their senior trip and graduation. With all these activities comes the realization that they will "pass this way but once."



Far left: During the pep rallies, this "Super Seniors" sign was brought down to show the soaring senior spirit. Left: Our "Fruit of the Loom Guys," Carol Yogus, Michelle Hutchinson, Barb Whitcomb, and Charlene Chermicky, perform a skit supporting our football players at the last pep rally. Below left: Bob Thompson, Jeff Sossong, Ray Nolan, Rick Schall, Henry Law and Steve Pedorko play a game of "peek-a-boo" behind the elementary school. Below: Pam Wilcox gazes up as she poses for the yearbook photographer.





CHARLIE  
ADAMS



TAMMY  
ALLISON



MICHAEL JOHN  
ANDREWS



MARIANNE  
BANDZUH



BARRY  
BATDORF



MARK ALAN  
BIFER



GARY S  
BOAST



RICHARD E  
BOOTH



LARRY  
BORECK



RONALD S  
BORECK

## Class Officers And Sponsors Guide Seniors Through Final Year.

Perhaps the busiest group of people in any high school is the senior class. Seniors are involved in numerous activities. To guide them through this final year, the seniors depend upon the leadership of their class officers and class advisers.

The officers and advisers arranged the senior picture schedule, set up class meetings for senior selling projects, helped to select senior class announcements, and made plans for the senior class trip.

Although their responsibilities were sometimes extremely demanding, and they often put in some "hectic" days, the officers and advisers did an outstanding job in guiding the Class of '81 through their last high school days.





PAMALA LYNN  
BURKETT



BILL CALDWELL



DONNA MARIE  
CANAVAN



DAVID W.  
CAURVINA



BILLIE MARIE  
CERWENSKY



KEVIN JOHN  
CHAPPELL



CHARLENE K.  
CHERNICKY



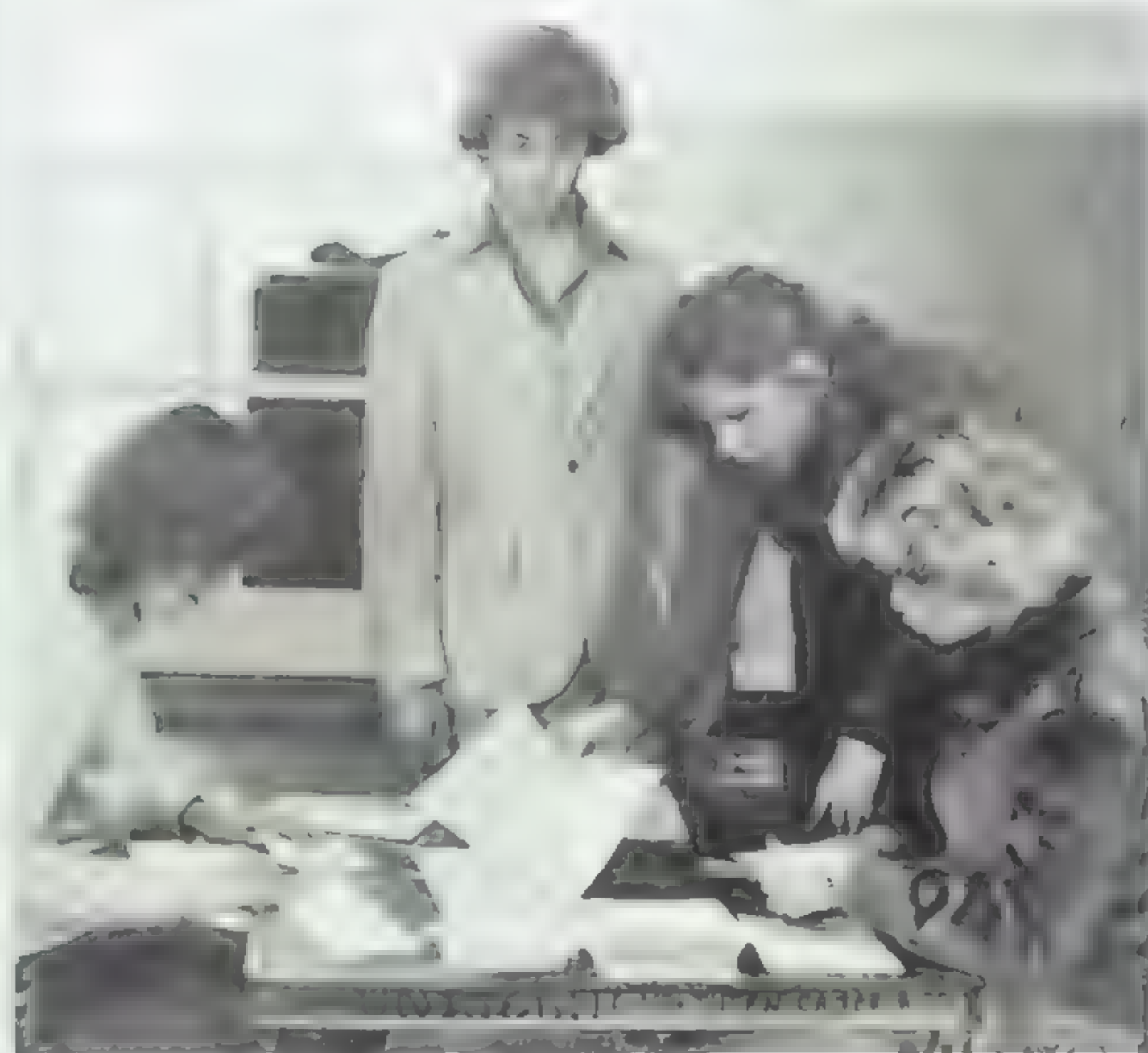
NANCY ANN  
CHOBANY



JOE COUGHLIN



DAVE CRUM



Far left: Senior class officers and advisers—Kneeling: Renée Olszewski, vice-president; Danielle Szuhaj, president. Standing: Miss Jenkins, adviser; Bob Thompson, treasurer; Francine Shuty, secretary; Mr. Skomra, adviser. Left: Miss Jenkins goes over papers and forms with Francine Shuty and Renée Olszewski as Bill Caldwell sings up for his senior portrait sitting.

## Graduating Becomes A Family Experience

Usually, parents attend graduation to see their son or daughter receive his or her diploma. However, for six families this year, graduation became a family affair. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Spaid proudly attended graduation to see their twin daughters, Jane and Joan, graduate from PAHS on June 10.

Mrs. and Mrs. Joseph Stoke proudly watched as Bob and Bill, their twin sons, received their diplomas. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Boreck had the satisfaction of seeing their sons, Larry and Ron, receive diplomas during the same graduation exercise.

Lori and Mark Crum, children of Mrs. Dorothy Crum and the late John Crum, gave their mother a sense of gratification when they were awarded their diplomas. Cafeteria workers Mrs. Betty Richardson and Mrs. Bev Hutchinson proudly observed the graduation of their respective children, Tom Richardson and Michelle Hutchinson.

Attending graduation ceremonies is always a pleasure for parents. For the parents of these seniors, however, it provided a "double pleasure."



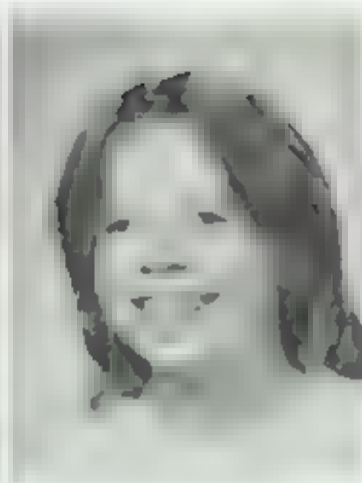
Top: Twins Jane and Joan Spaid. Left: Brother and sister Lori and Mark Crum. Above: Brothers Ron and Larry Boreck.



LORI CRUM



MARK CRUM



PAULA A. CRUM



KATHY A.  
DeMATTEIS



MIKE DIEHL



KIRK DIVIDOCK



TRACY ELLIS



CATHY J.  
FEATHERS



STEVE FEDORKO



WILLIAM J.  
FOREMAN



Above: Michelle Hutchinson and her mother Mrs. Bev Hutchinson and Tom Richardson and his mother Mrs. Betty Richardson. Above right: Twins Bob and Bill Stoke



Faculty members proudly stand by their graduating seniors. Far right: Stephen Nyeste, Jr. and his father Mr. Stephen Nyeste, Sr. Right: Elementary teacher, Mrs. Joyce Vickroy and her daughter, Stacy Vickroy



AMY T FOX



DONALD FRANFY



DAVE FLZIF



KATHY ANN GALLAHER



ANGIE GEORGE



DAVID GIBSON



DEBBIE M. GIBSON



BERNIE GORBA



WILLIAM EARL GORDON



BRUCE P GOSSARD



RONALD N.  
HANDEL



JANE ELAINE  
HANEY



GREGORY  
HANNA



ADAULPHINE  
HARRISON



BRIAN S  
HERSHBERGER



JAMES HOCHREIN



SUSAN HOPPER



AMY DAWN  
HOUGH



MICHELLE MARIE  
HUTCHINSON



MICHAEL P  
KEARNEY



Above: Ed Layo and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Layo

## Faculty Parents Proud Of Their Graduating Seniors.

For a student, being educated in a school district in which his father or mother is a member of the faculty, staff, or administration can be a unique experience. That student often has to bear the brunt of such unkind accusations as, "You only get A's because your mom's a teacher," or "You only got a part in the school play because your dad works for the school."

Three seniors in the class of 1981 are children of school district employees. Over the years, they have adjusted to being a "teacher's kid." And they have now become members of the senior class.

These three seniors, Ed Layo, Steve Nyeste, Jr., and Stacy Vickroy, have brought a much pride and satisfaction to their parents who are employees of the Portage Area School District.



MARTIN SCOTT  
KERCH



SHRYLE KICK



CHRISTINE  
KISSELL



KENNETH A  
KISSELL



LEO KLEIN



TERRY KLEIN



MARCI KNAPKO



SCOTT KOPNICKY



RICHARD  
KOWALCZYK



RENE KRINICK

## Seniors Enjoy Final High School Days

The senior year at PAHS turned out to be both memorable and enjoyable for the members of the Class of '81. They shared the traditional "senior" experiences—getting senior pictures, ordering announcements, being measured for caps and gowns, and going on the class trip.

Most of all, these students simply enjoyed whatever each day brought, whether it was congregating at the park, "studying" together at the library, selling sports programs, or wearing blue and silver on Senior Color Day.



Above: Gary Murray and Ted Nesbella look as if they are going to enjoy selling football programs at one of the varsity football games.



Left: Cathy Phillips and Francine Shuty spend a day in the park with some of the other members of the senior class. Below: Why is it so hard to believe that Kathy Gallaher, Donna Canavan, Angie George and Lori Pollock are really studying in the library.



ROBERT J. KRULL



DAVE KUISICK



DENISE LATOCHE



HENRY SCOTT  
LAW



EDWARD SCOTT  
LAYO



KYLE DOUGLAS  
LESLIE



JOSEPH T.  
LETURGFY



MICHAEL P.  
LETURGFY



JOE LITZINGER



WILLIAM W.  
MAUL

## Seniors Look Back To Memories Of High School Years

Being a senior involves looking toward the future. But, it is also an occasion for some nostalgic memories of a senior's high school years. Seventh grade found the Class of 1981 being housed in the new elementary-middle school complex. Eighth grade brought them into the high school with its new subjects and teachers.

The freshman, sophomore, and junior years brought an abundance of new experiences both in and out of the classroom. Students became involved with sports and extra-curricular activities. Their classes became more diverse and more challenging.

Now, at last, this group of students has reached its ultimate goal—they have become "seniors." However, they still retain those precious memories of past high school years.



JEFFREY ALAN  
MICHAELS



ANITA MILLER



EDWARD M  
MILLER



KATHY MILLER



TIMOTHY D  
MILLER



GARY R.  
MURRAY



RANDY L. MYERS



TIM McCONEGHY



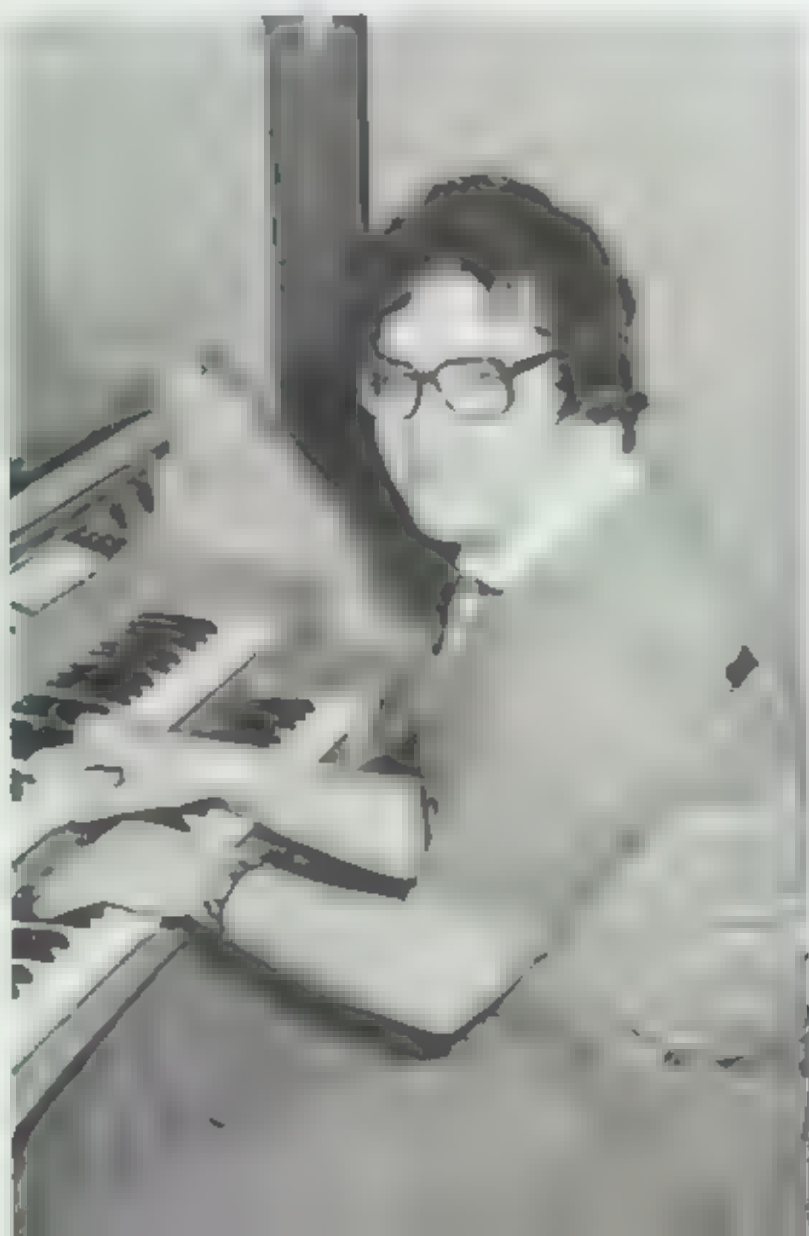
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McQUILLEN



THOMAS LYMAN  
McVICKER II



Far left: Our leaders of 'yesteryear 8th grade homeroom presidents. Dave Yetko and Annette Scoran, sitting. Rick Booth and Henry Law, standing. Left: Remember the days when boys were small enough to fit into lockers? Did Teresa Walls ever find out what Tom J. Zock was doing in her locker? Below left: Tom Nagy, as an underclassman, has always taken pride in his musical talents. Below: As we look back to our underclassmen years, we have undergone many changes. Do you recognize any faces? If not, here they are (bottom to top)—Tom Richardson, Patty Oklamchak, Leo Klein, Terry Klein, and Tom M Zock



Right: Keystone Girls  
State representative—Liz  
Troxell, State Police Youth  
Week representatives  
—Henry Law and Marty  
Kerch, Keystone Boys State  
representatives—Dave  
Yetsko and Kevin Chap  
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THOMAS C.  
NAGY



THEODORE J.  
NESBELLA



RAYMOND G.  
NOLAN



STEPHEN J.  
NYESTE



PATRICIA A  
OKLAMCHAK



RENEE  
OLSZEWski



SHERRY L.  
OSWALT



PATRICK C.  
PANek



JANICE K. PANICK



LORI B. PATNEY



RONALD  
PETRUNAK



CATHY PHILLIPS



JEFF PINOS



GREGORY M.  
PISARSKI



LORI A. POLLOCK



RICHARD J.  
POLLOCK



BRETT A.  
RANDALL



BRENDA L. REED



CARL  
RICHARDSON



GREG  
RICHARDSON

## Seniors Honored

Six seniors at Portage Area have received distinctive honors. Two boys, Dave Yetsko and Kevin Chappell, attended the American Legion Keystone Boys State Week held at Millersville State College from June 22-28, 1980. From June 15-21, 1980, Liz Troxell represented the American Legion Post 430 during Keystone Girls State Week at Shippensburg State College. Keystone State is an annual week long affair which concentrates on the functions of city, county, and state governments.

The American Legion State Police Youth Week was held from June 29-July 5, 1980, at the Hershey State Police Academy. Selected as representatives from PAHS were Henry Law and Marty Kerch. For one week, these two young men went through training and were treated as if they were state police cadets.

Linda Teno has earned the distinctive honor of being chosen to attend State Chorus in Hershey in January and All-Eastern United States Chorus in New York in March. For Linda to reach the state level, she had to compete in both district and regional chorus. Since she was rated in the top 5 of her group at the regional level, she received an application for All-Eastern Chorus. From 800 applications submitted, only 425 students were selected for All-Eastern Chorus. So, indeed it is an honor for Linda to represent PAHS at both of these festivals.



Above: Linda Teno represented PAHS at State Chorus and All-Eastern United States Chorus.



THOMAS  
RICHARDSON



RAYMOND P.  
SCARTON



ERIC SCHALL



ANNETTE M  
SCORAN



TODD A. SHOFF



## Seniors: Do You Remember The Day . . .

Senior's are quite unpredictable. Who will ever forget the day that some of the senior football players decided that they should enjoy a brief escape from the rigors of high school life and experience a fleeting return to the world of an elementary school where students still have recess?

What about the day that Mr. Vrabel gave the seniors a test on Greek classics and some "Greeks," dressed in "authentic" togas, in the twentieth century mode, came to class to take the test?

Then there was the traumatic experience of being a first time blood donor. After each of these brave seniors had donated their pint of blood, they claimed there was nothing to it, but some of them certainly looked worried while being "drained."

These and many other experiences will remain safely filed in the memories of those seniors who made the most of their last year at PAHS





Far left: Throughout the year, students have the opportunity to donate blood. One of the students who donated blood was Elaine Haney. Below left: Danielle Szuhaj and Liz Troxell dress the a toga party given by Mr. Vrabel in his Senior English classes. It was truly a dishyrambic affair. Left: Steve Fedorko, Bob Thompson, Eric Schall, and Ray Nolan enjoy a few moments on the elementary playground.



FRANCINE SHUTTY



KEVIN L.  
SIEDLARCZYK



CHERYL  
SIMMONS



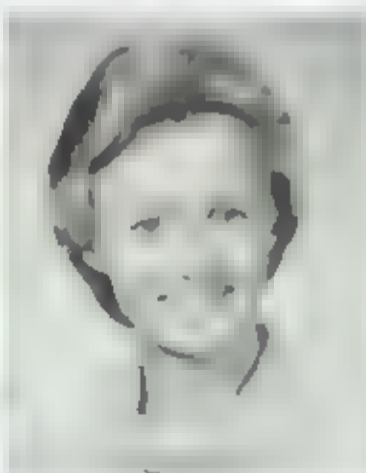
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MARK  
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SONDRA L.  
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JEFFREY D.  
SOSSONG



MELINDA  
SOSSONG



JANE A. SPAID



JOAN A. SPAID



KATHLEEN  
LYNNE STAGER



TRISHA A  
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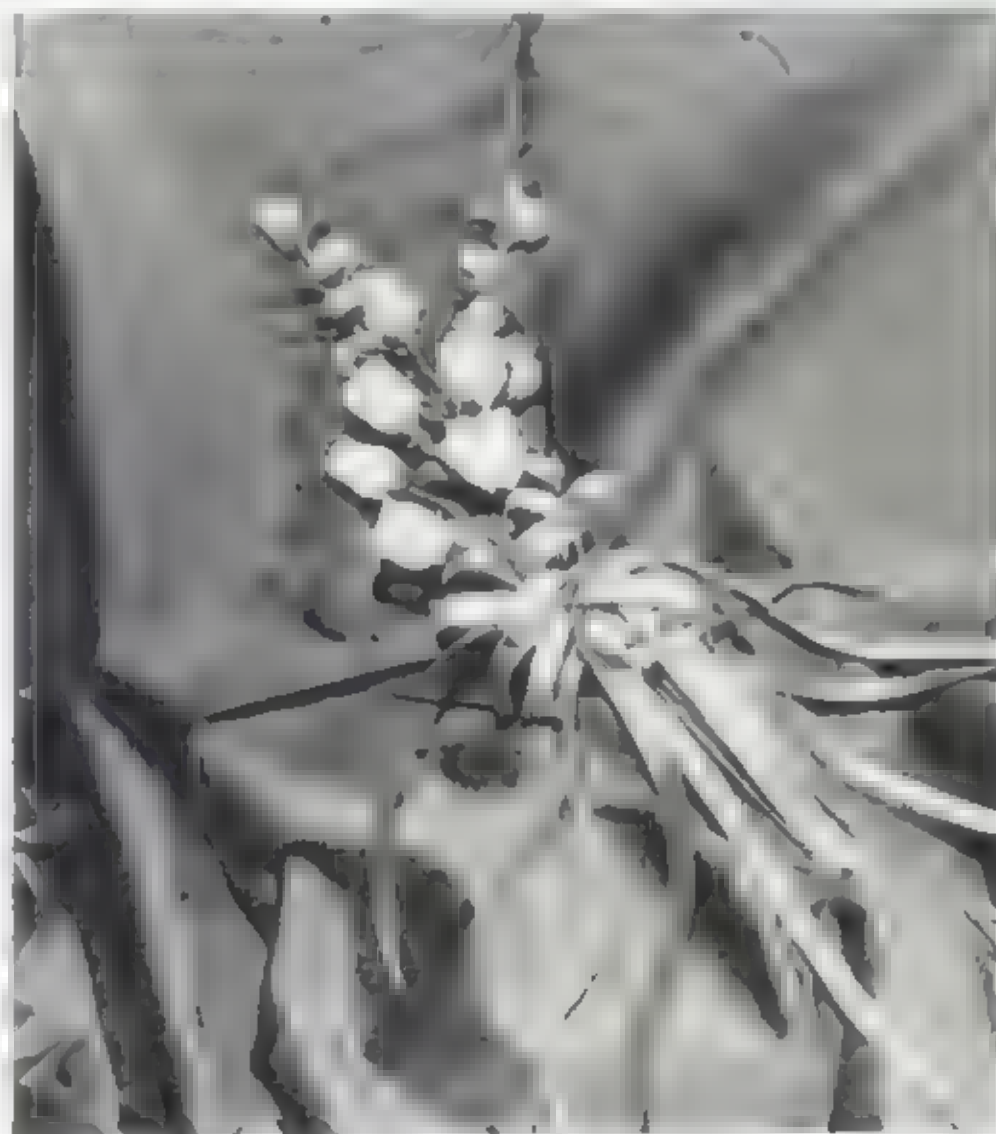


LAURA  
TAVERNINI

## Seniors Anticipate Graduation Day

June 10, 1980. Graduation Day. The long awaited day will finally arrive. One-hundred forty-six seniors will proudly don the traditional caps and gowns, will file into the PAHS auditorium to the music of "Pomp and Circumstance," and will take their respective places on the stage.

Within the hour, these seniors will listen to some parting words from their fellow classmates and some of the school administrators, be awarded their coveted diplomas, and march out of the auditorium. Their public education will have reached its conclusion with the completion of these graduation exercises.



Above: Seniors chose class mementoes. The white rose is their class flower, and their class colors are blue and silver.



Left Ron Handel adjusts Karly Gallaher's hat as these two seniors try on graduation caps and gowns in anticipation of graduation ceremonies



ROBERT  
TAVERNINI



LINDA ANN  
TENNO



ROBERT B.  
THOMPSON



ELIZABETH ANNE  
TROXELL



GREG TWIGGS



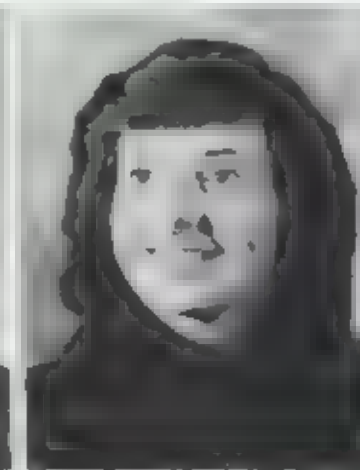
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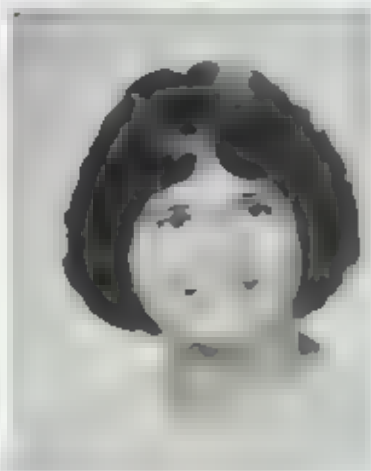
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CAROL ANN  
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KATHRYN L.  
ZATEK



THOMAS JOHN  
ZOCK



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MICHAEL ZOCK



Above Renée Olszewski, Tracy Ellis, Francine Shuty, and Dena Vrabel shed tears of joy and sadness during half-time ceremonies on Senior Night. The junior members of the Varsity Cheerleading Squad honored the senior members by presenting them with roses.



## Seniors Recognized On Senior Night

Mixed emotions prevailed on the evening of October 31, 1980. This evening marked the annual event commonly known as Senior Night. Not only was this evening the last home football game, but also it was the last time the senior football players would play together; this was the last time the senior cheerleaders would cheer for a football game, this was the last time the senior band members and senior majorettes would perform a half-time show.

The timidity of the festivities during senior night brought both joy and sadness to the seniors. There was the feeling of the joy of being a senior and being recognized for accomplishments; there was also the feeling of sadness of being aware that before long, the members of the Class of 1981 would graduate and pursue individual goals.



Top: Amy Fox stands proudly with her parents during half-time festivities on Senior Night. Senior band members were presented with their band jackets by their parents. Above: Joe Coughlin, Bob Krull, Henry Law, and Ed Layton look very solemn as they are honored at their last game of the season.



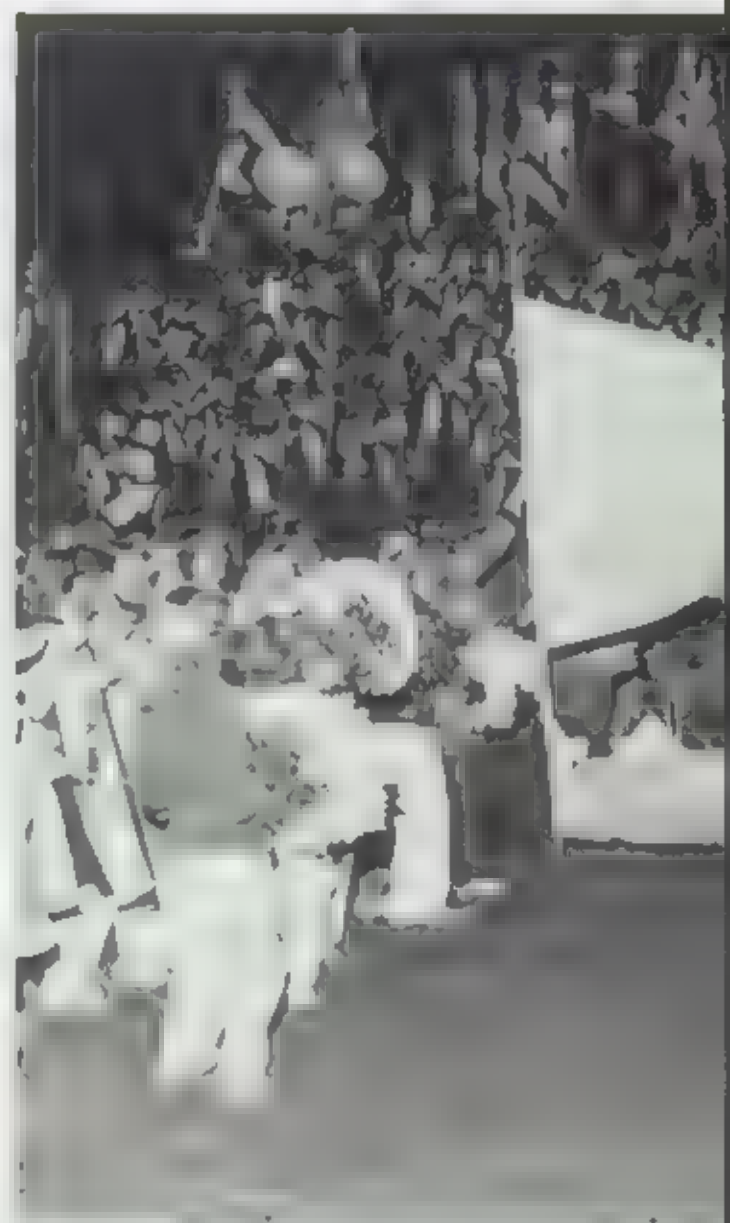
## SPORTS

For many students, participation in high school sports is both a thrilling and exhilarating experience. Through playing a sport, a student learns how to cope with victory and how to accept defeat. Being involved in a sport, a student learns not only the basic rules of that sport but also such important assets as the value of sportsmanship and teamwork. The relationships which develop among the participants in a sport are unique ones which can never be forgotten.



Far left: Karen Spaid and a member of the opposing team vie for a rebound during a girls' basketball game in the PALIS game. Left: Cheerleaders Dena Vrabel and Teresa Watts help cheer on the Mighty Mustangs. Below left: John Myher, varsity basketball player, poses for a shot for 20 points. Below left: Six wing backs make first down yardage but is tackled by four defensive players from Ligonier.





Above: Matt Kleman attempts to evade a tackle as he carries the ball for the Mustangs. Above right: The Mustangs traditionally charge onto the field before each game as their loyal fans cheer them on. Right: MUSTANG FOOTBALL COACHING STAFF. Left to right: Doug Conlon, Junior High Head Coach; Gary Gouse, Assistant Varsity Coach; Vic Campagna, Head Varsity Coach; Don Finura, Assistant Varsity Coach; Adam Skomra, Assistant Junior High Coach.



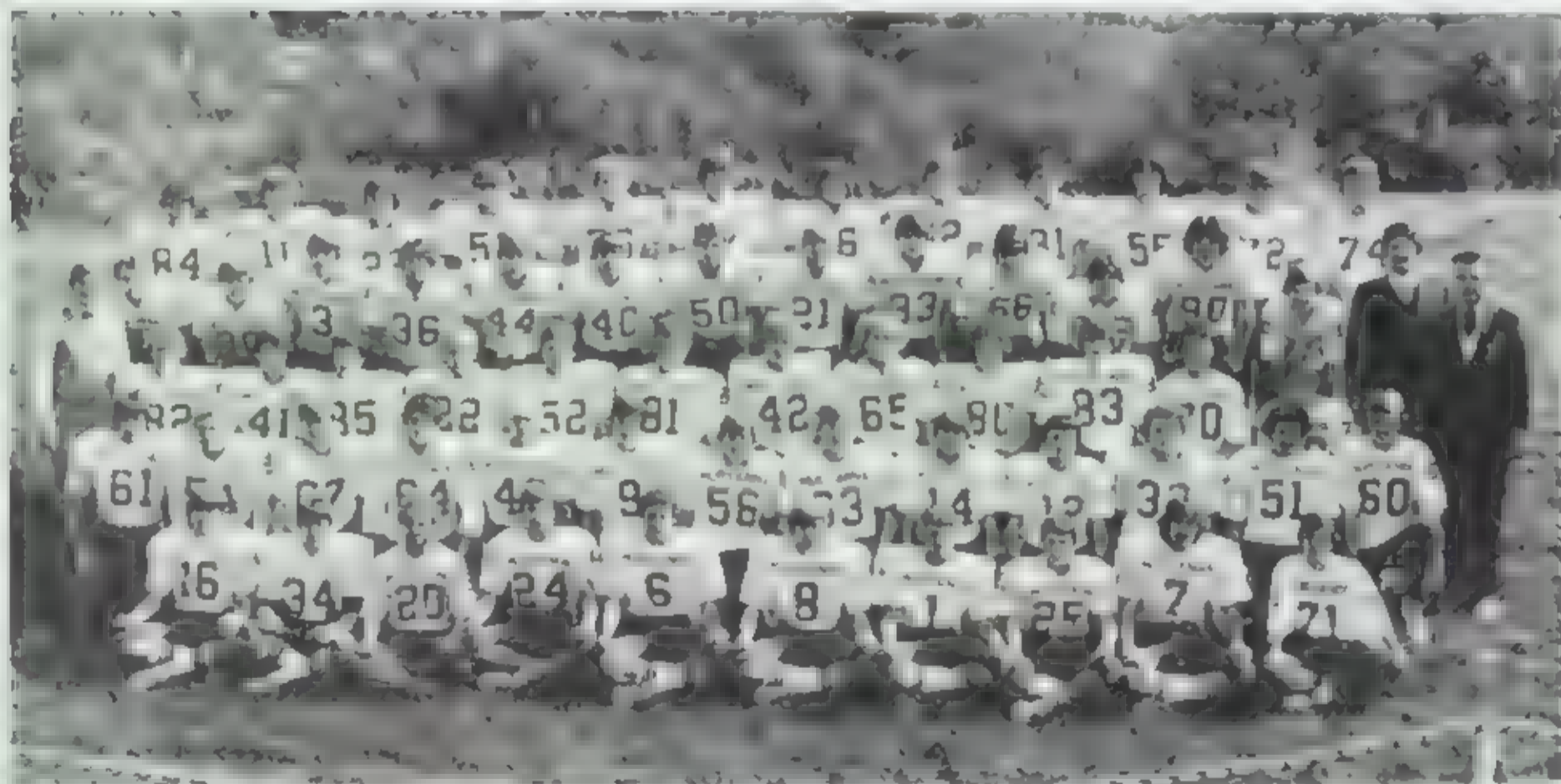


## Varsity Mustangs Proudly Boast 8-0-2 Season

For the third time in the history of the Portage Area Schools, the Varsity Football Team has completed an undefeated season. After a starting record of two ties, one with arch rival Forest Hills and the other with Northern Cambria, the Mighty Mustangs could not be contained. Offensively, they scored a total of 200 points in their eight remaining games while the defense only allowed 53 points to be scored by their opponents.

The Varsity team devoted countless hours of back breaking, rigorous practice and training to make this year's team so successful. According to head coach, Vic Campagna, these boys "deserved what they achieved this year because they worked the hardest of any team I've coached here in ten years."

The dedicated work and the outstanding sportsmanship displayed by the team has brought a sense of pride to the entire school and to the community.



**VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM**—Left to right, row 1: Larry Michaels, Kevin Lazor, Bob Thompson, Matt Kieman, Ed Raptosh, Jimmy Michaels, Walter Fox, Mike Helsel, Rick Shaffer, Lance Benko. Row 2: Frank Jubara, Joe Kainoski, Darren Moore, Rob Woltord, Larry Baker, Ed Myers, Tim Price, Ray Lee, Tom Maloskey, Bill Corrente, Paul Chobany, Ray George, Gary Murray. Row 3: Gary Gouse—assistant coach, Bob Kraus, Bob Adams, Rick Davis, Mark Nolan, Steve Krisko, Kyle Leslie, Jeff Sossong, Todd Short, Carl Richardson, Bill Furkovic, Ed Miner, Don Timura—assistant coach. Row 4: Mike Andrews, Mike Parren, Vince Ryke, Eric Schad, Craig Zaman, Ray Nolan, Kevin Chappell, Jeff Michaels, Kirk Divdick, Mike Kunko, Henry Law, Bruce Thomas, Ted Nesbitt, Vic Campagna—head coach. Row 5: Dan Tiger, Bernie Gorba, Joe Sopata, Wayne McQuillen, Dave Yetsko, Rick Boxth, Charlie Adams, Marty Kerch, Ed Lavo, Tim McConeghy, Phil Zdunczyk, Steve Fedorko. Absent from photo: Jim Fryzewicz, Bill Caldwell, Joe Coughlin.

## Undefeated Varsity Mustangs Feted At Awards' Banquet

To demonstrate their pride in the undefeated Varsity Football Team, the Portage Area Football Booster Club honored the coaches and the team with a dinner on Saturday, November 15, 1980. At this banquet, two local businesses presented individual trophies to all players, and Michael Harrison, chairman of the Portage Area School Board's Athletic Committee, presented each member with a jacket. Vince Furtkevic, president of the Portage Area Jaycees, presented a team trophy to the captains.

The Booster Club presented each senior member of the team with a trophy. Special awards were given to four senior team members—Rick Booth, Marty Kerch, Ed Layo, and Bernie Gorba.

VARSITY FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD		
	PAHS	OPP
Forest Hills	6	6
Northern Cambria	6	6
Buffalo	21	8
Knox	42	1
Lebanon	31	6
East Cambria	10	14
Conneaut Valley	23	0
Conneaut Heights		1
Central Cambria	7	0
Wayne Carroll	8	0



**JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM** Left to right row 1 Larry Michaels, Kevin Lazar, Matt Kielem, Ed Raptosh, Jimmy Michaels, Walter Fox, Mike Helse, Ray George. Row 2 Bob Adams, Darren Moore, Larry Baker, Ed Myers, Tim Price, Rick Davis, Ray Lee, Br. Corrente, Rick Shatter, Lance Benko. Row 3 Gary Grouse (coach), Frank Jubara, Mike Fatten, Vince Rake, Joe Kalnosky, Pau Chobany, Tom Matuskey, Bill Furtkevic. Row 4 Dan Tgyer, Steve Krisko, Bruce Thomas, Mike Kunko, Rob Wolford, Craig Zaman, Mark Nolan, Phil Zdunczyk.



Left—Football Award Winners  
Rick Booth, American Legion Post  
490 Outstanding Defensive Award  
Marty Kerch, Edinboro Area HS  
Player-Scholarship Award, Edinboro  
Southern Alleghenies Coaches' Association  
Outstanding Offensive Award and  
American Legion Post 490 Outstanding  
Offensive Award, Bernie Gorbis  
Southern Alleghenies Coaches' Association  
Outstanding Defensive Award  
and American Legion Post 490 Out-  
standing Offensive Award Below: Jeff  
Michaels and Bob Thompson place a  
"Forest Hills Ranger" on top of the  
wood pile as they prepare for the annual  
hunt.

FOOTBALL		WINNERS	
Forest Hills	6	Forest Hills	6
Forest Hills	6	Forest Hills	6
Forest Hills	12	Forest Hills	12
Forest Hills	10	Forest Hills	10
Forest Hills	8	Forest Hills	8
Forest Hills	7	Forest Hills	7
Forest Hills	6	Forest Hills	6
Forest Hills	5	Forest Hills	5
Forest Hills	4	Forest Hills	4
Forest Hills	3	Forest Hills	3
Forest Hills	2	Forest Hills	2
Forest Hills	1	Forest Hills	1





Top right: Kevin Chappell and his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Audren Chappell are presented to the spectators on Parents' Night. Top: The Michaels brothers, Larry, Jim, and Jeff, and their parents Mr. & Mrs. Tom Michaels, are announced on Parents' Night. Above: Jeff Sossong escorts his parents Mr. & Mrs. Ron Sossong onto the field at half-time on Parents' Night. Above left: Mr. & Mrs. Ed Fox proudly walk onto the field with their son Walter



## Members Of Football Team Honor Parents

Friday night, October 24, 1980, was a special evening for the parents of the players on the Mustang Football Team. The team members proudly escorted their parents onto the football field during half-time ceremonies.

Parents' Night gives the football players the opportunity to demonstrate their love and appreciation to their parents. Playing football is a demanding and rigorous job. It is the parents of the players who give these young men much of the support, encouragement and understanding which is so important to them. The players realize the role that their parents play, and they let their parents know this on Parents' Night.



**JR HIGH FOOTBALL TEAM**—Left to right row 1: Don Grise, Tim Raskus, Neil Grise, Tim Fozie, Doug Paolet, Rob Ventre, Mike Solarzyk, Robert Fox, Dean McCabe, Ben Ken, Joe Kisko. Row 2: Tim Strake, Darrin Plummer, Mark Koenigsberg, Tom Branas, Ralph Swann, Tom Raskus, Charles Plummer, Allen Brown, Ron Maul, Pat Flynn. Row 3: Pete Maul, Chet Hochrein, Ken Bailey, Jeff Plummer, Bob Kodosky, Tony Letzo, Rich Rylke, Joe Kisko, Dave Petley, Mac Pines, Eric Bobosky. Row 4: Russ Grise, Jim Grey, Mark Sko, Brad McCabe, Mike Flynn, Mark Ostraben, Ron Swires, Ed Grise, Andy Leto, Dave Kennedy, Bob Chapin, George Letsko, Kevin Grise. Row 5: Robert Kisko, Kevin Myers, Adam Skoirta, Coach.

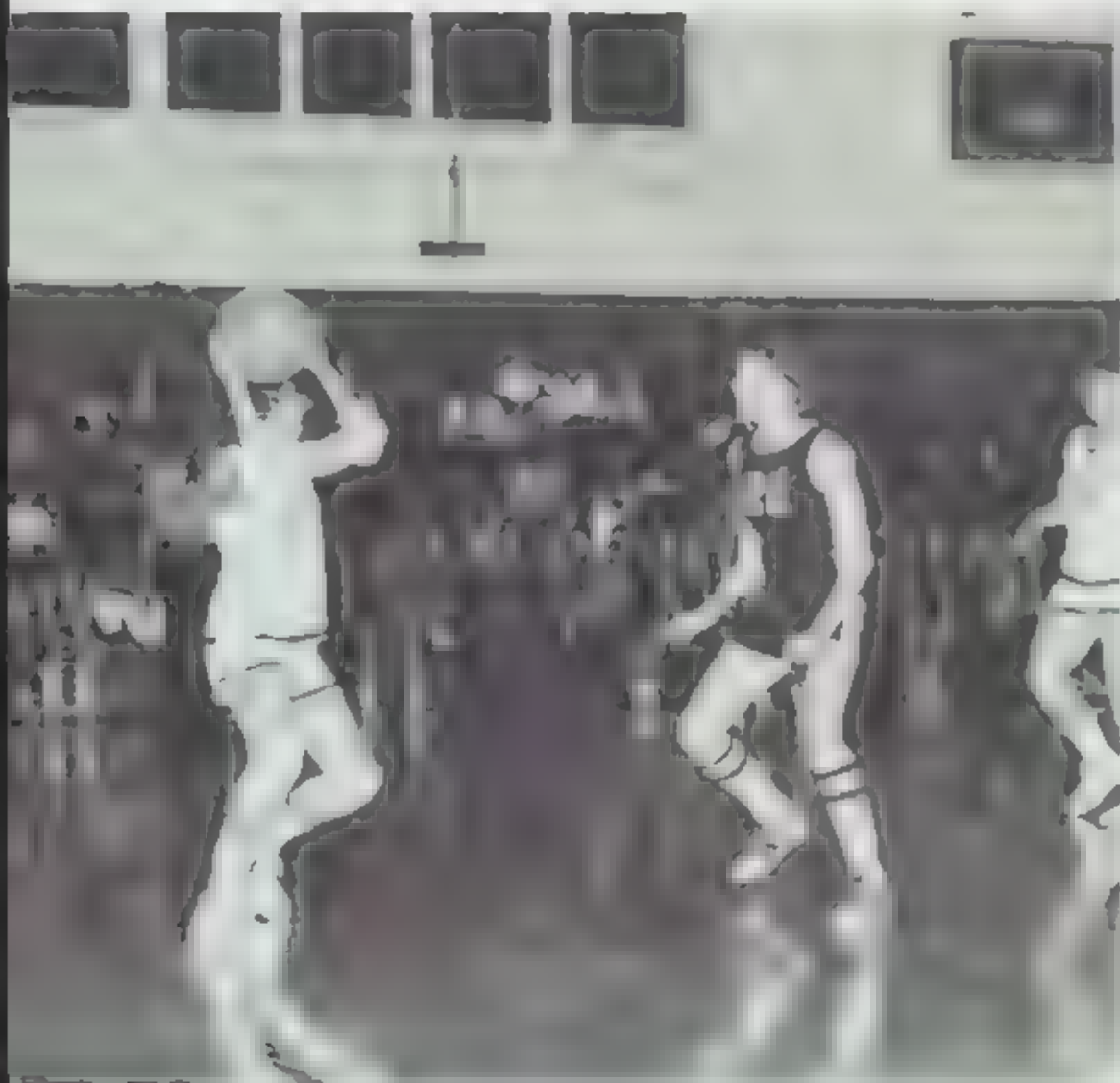


**VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM**—Counterclockwise: Chris Borlie, Denise Wright, Terry Chappell, Nancy Chaban, Kathy Stage, Sue Ellis, Gary Yusk—head coach, Robin Adams, Lori Patney, Sue Bryja, Shari Davis, Karen Spaid, Jackie Szuhaj, Center: Michele Kozak. Below right: Head girls basketball coach Gary Yusk gives his team members a pep talk during a time out.

# VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD

	PAHS	OPP
Laurel Valley	54	34
Cambria Heights	42	34
Penn Cambria	45	35
Perkiomen	42	32
McMurry	42	32
Forest Hills	51	51
Central Cambria	42	32
Cambria Heights	42	32
Isle of Capri	42	32
Laurel Valley	42	32
Cambria Heights	42	32
Penn Cambria	42	32
Perkiomen	42	32
Central Cambria	42	32
Isle of Capri	42	32
Laurel Valley	42	32
Cambria Heights	42	32





## Girls Basketball Team Concludes 12-6 Season

With a season record of 12 wins and 6 losses, the Varsity Girls Basketball Team completed a successful season. One important facet of their success was teamwork. The girls put forth fine individual efforts. They were a well-disciplined group of players.

The girls were guided by the capable coaching of Gary Yusko. Robyn Adams led the team in scoring with 268 points, and she also had the most assists (84). Nancy Chobanev had the most rebounds (213) while Kathy Stager had the most steals (57).



Top: Robyn Adams looks for a receiver for the basketball. Above: Kathy Stager skillfully makes the ball down court in hopes of scoring two more points for the Mustangs.

## J.V. Girl Cagers Reign Undeclared

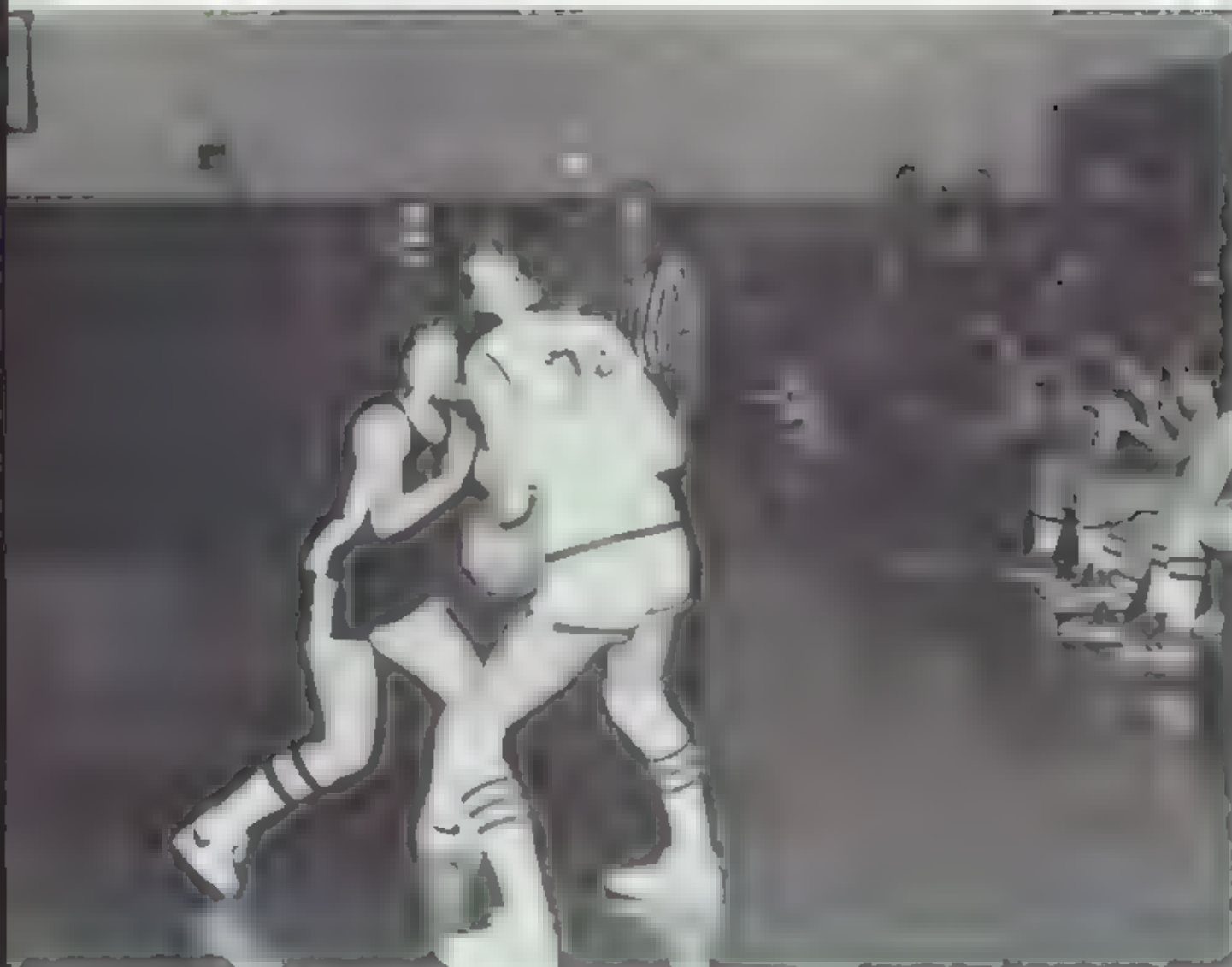
This year, the Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Team ended the 1980 season with an undefeated record. Coached by Miss Annette Kiel, the J.V. team applied the basketball fundamentals which they had learned as members of the junior high team.

The J.V. team consisted of an enthusiastic, determined group of spirited players. Sue Bryja was high scorer with 127 points. Shari Davis was outstanding as leading rebounder (73), having the most assists (80), and having the most steals (53).

	PTS	OPP
Lane Valley	32	11
Central Heights	30	12
West Columbia	31	24
Ferriday	40	25
Westwood	25	8
Forest Hills	22	13
Central Columbia	9	26
Chenoweth Valley	15	9
Bishop Carroll	1	1
Lane Valley	1	1
Central Heights	25	20
West Columbia	4	15
Ferriday	22	10
Central Columbia	19	16
Bishop Carroll	22	11
Forest Hills	15	8
Bishop Carroll	11	4
Chenoweth Valley	18	8



Above: Jackie Szuhaj deftly hurls a basketball toward the basket in an attempt to add another point to the Mustang score.

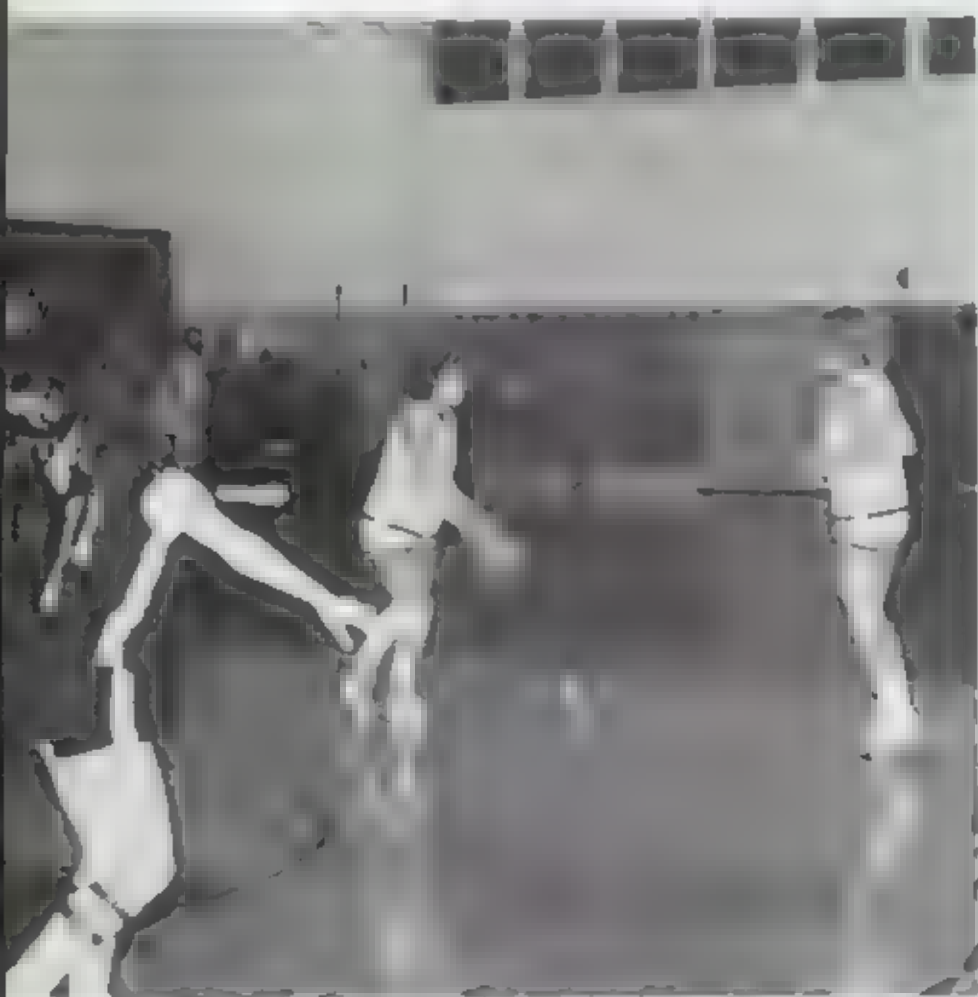


Left: Karen Spaid in possession of the ball tries to evade an opponent in order to move the ball down court. Below: JV coach Annette Kiel observes the playing techniques of the girls during a JV game.



J.V. GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM—Clockwise: Robin Thomas, Wendi Hazlett, Sue Ellis, Terry Chappell, Denise Wright, Jackie Szuhaj, Karen Spaid, Shar Davis, Karen Yersko, Sue Bryja, Mary Kuchera.

Right: Kathy Stager dodges two members of the opposing team as she controls the ball. Far right: Junior High Girls Basketball Coach Larry McCabe discusses game strategy with his players.



Above left: Robyn Adams skillfully handles the basketball during a J V game. Above: Denise Wright tries to make a Mustang ball as she competes for a jump ball.

## Girls Basketball Teams Honored For Achievements

At the conclusion of the 1980 Girls Basketball season, the Varsity, J.V., and the Junior High teams were honored at a banquet held on November 21, in the high school cafeteria. The guest speaker was Renee Portland, head women's basketball coach at Penn State.

Several special awards were presented. Nancy Chobany, who set school records for 20 rebounds in one game and 213 rebounds in one season, received an award. Other awards were presented to Robyn Adams, who was selected to the all tourney team in the Jaycee Tournament; to Kathy Stager, who was the second team all star in the Central-Western League All Stars; to Robyn Adams and Chris Borlie who received honorable mention in the Central-Western League All Stars; and to Missy McQuillen, who was selected to the all tourney team in the Booster Club Tournament.



**JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM** Clockwise: Cindy Bryson, Chris Hudak, Dawn Tomashko, Lisa Fedorko, Carrie Bently, 11 Ann Anderson, Jess Fuzie, Kim Stager, Lisa Stager, Denise Stoker, Georgette Szaha, Sharon McCarthy, Celine Claire, Sue Fatten, Nancy Hodgson, Theresa Rudolph, Lisa Sendzick, Mary Kieman, Vanessa Sabala, Janae Pummer, Missy McQuillen, Becky Adams, Jeanine Fedorko, Elaine Smith, Melanie Chobany, Kathy Krsko, Trina Petney.

**VARSITY BOYS BASKET BALL TEAM** Left to right: Dave Yersk, Mac B... H... Meyer, Larry M... h... Mar... nar, Jim Mich... Pete K... Tom Meyer, Larry G... Center left to right: Ed M... Dave McCabe, Coach... Adams manager. Absent from photo: Wayne McQu... Home Court.



Above: Bernie Gorha and an opponent struggle for a jump ball for their respective teams.

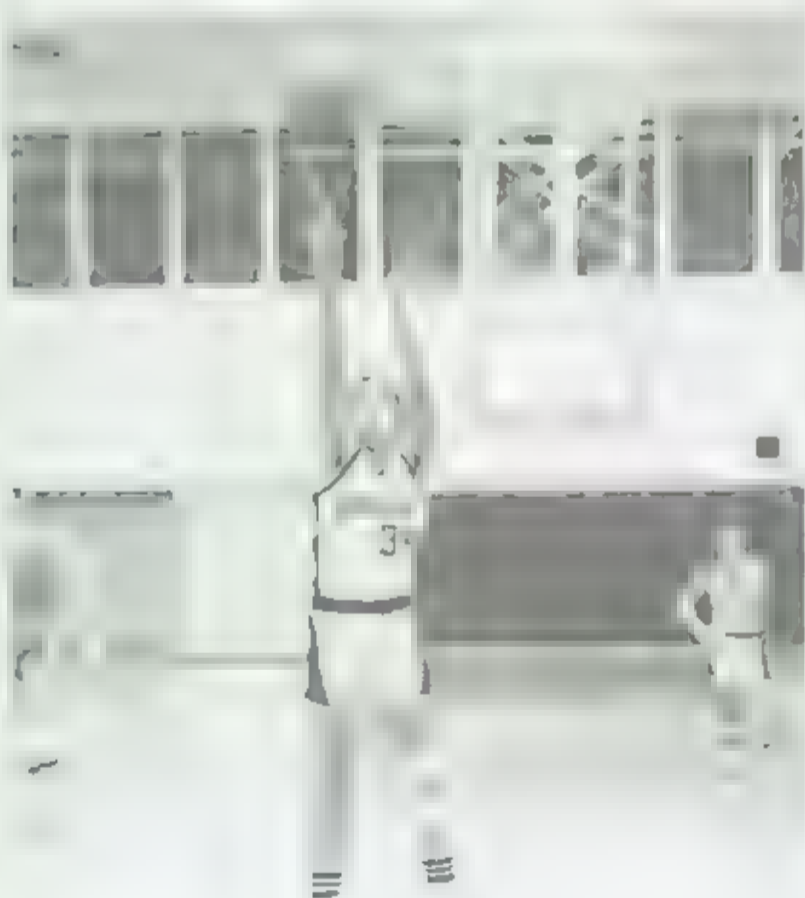


## Cagers Suffer From Lack Of Experienced Players

Although the Portage Area Boys Basketball Team worked very hard and put forth much effort, the boys unfortunately lacked experience. Coach Dave McCabe felt that his team was good at foul shooting and playing at home. The fact that 75% of the team consisted of underclassmen is certainly a hopeful feature for the next season and seasons to come.

This year's top rebounder was Wayne McQuillen. The most consistent player, who was also a three year letterman, was Bernie Gorba.

Coach McCabe noted that a basketball player "must bounce the ball during the off season, how bad he wants to play and if he can sacrifice summertime hours" will have a definite influence on the type of ball player he will be.



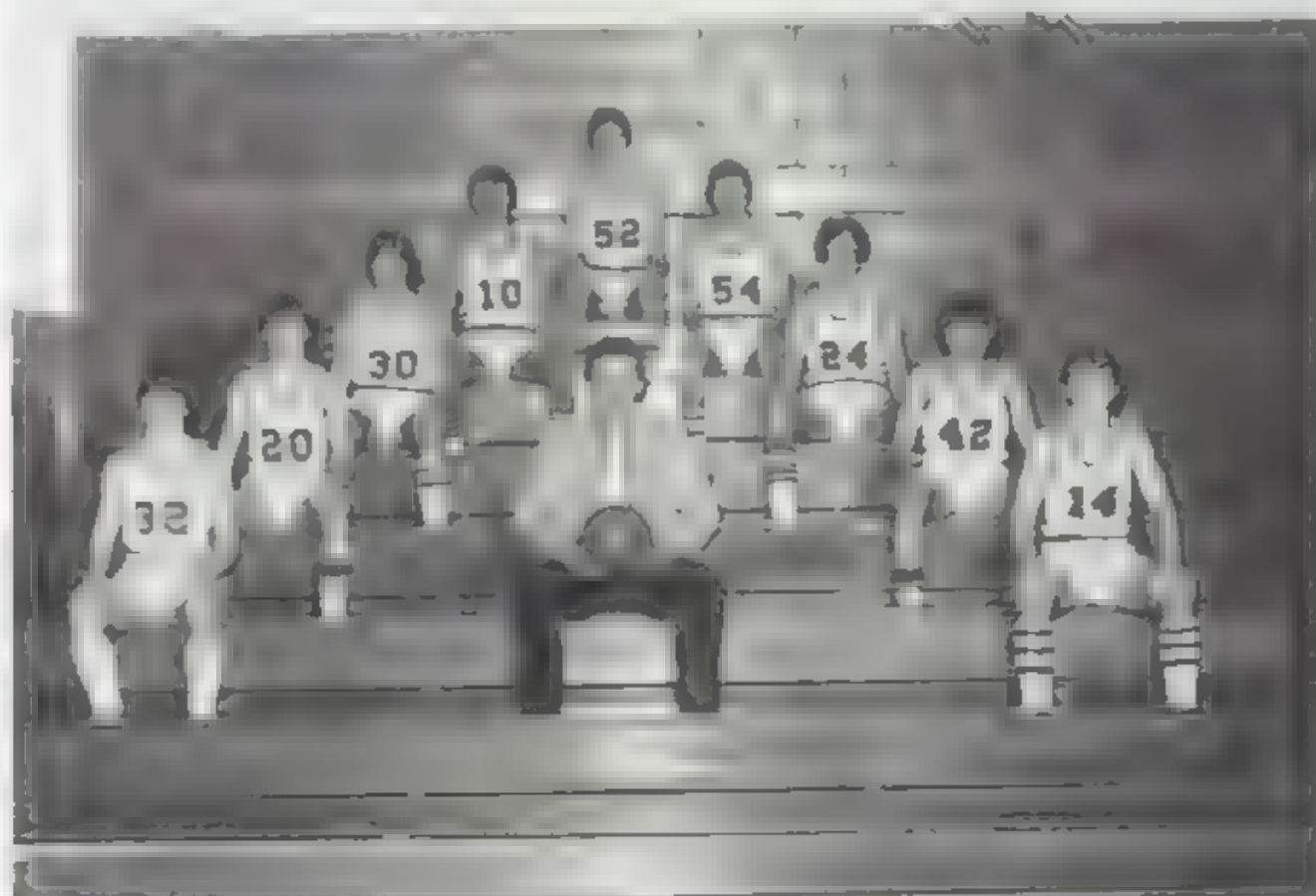
Top left: Wayne McQuillen attempts a shot while Bernie Gorba and Dave Yetsko help hold back the opposing defense. Left: Dave Yetsko displays his talents and good form as he transforms his foul shots into team points. Above: Head Coach, Dave McCabe, quickly and seriously gives his team a pep talk in between quarters.

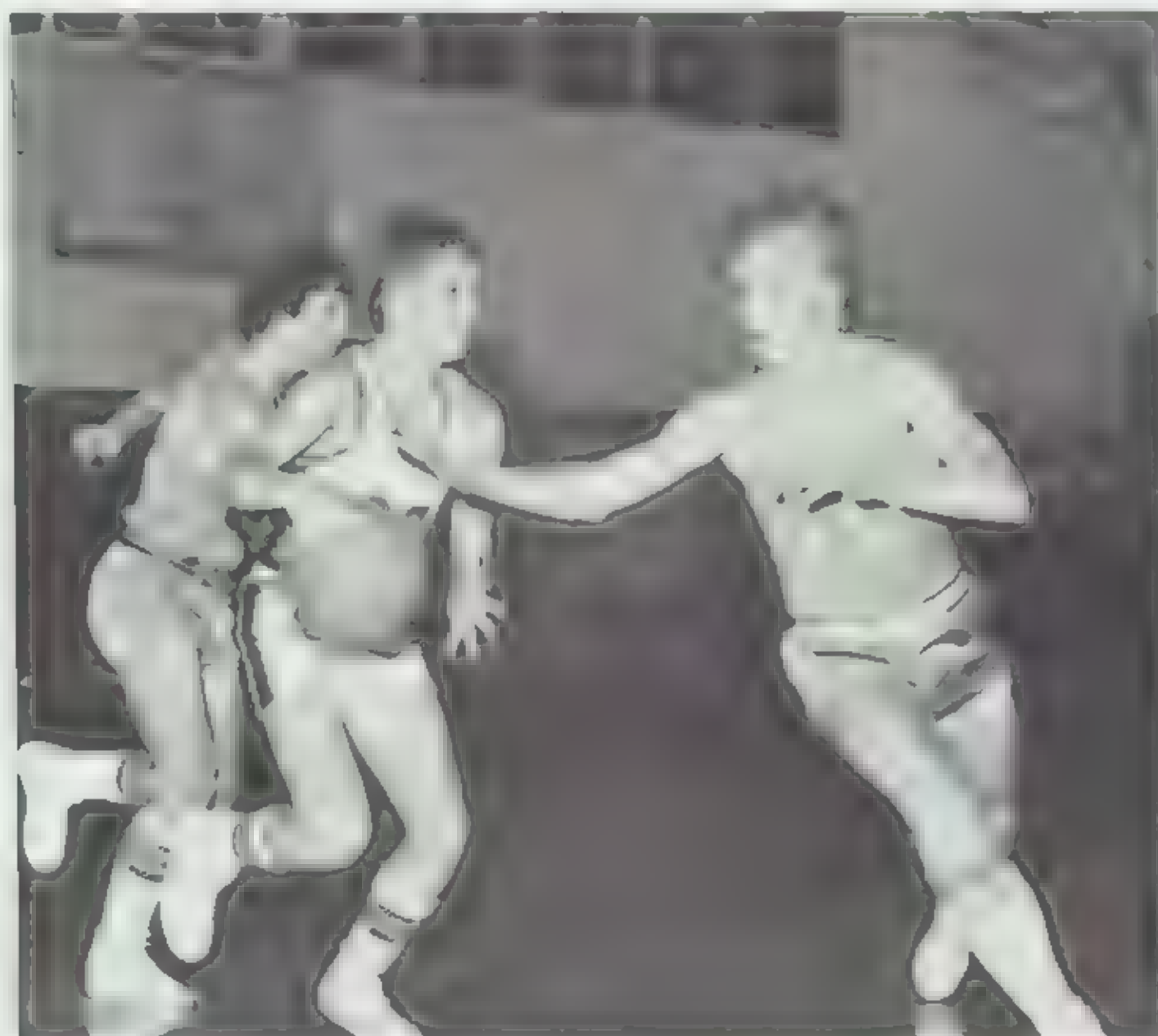
## J.V. Basketball Players Train For Varsity Team

This year's J.V. Basketball Team's effort has been intense, but it has not been a satisfying season for Coach Larry McCabe. Coach McCabe said that the boys have desire, hustle, and an overall intensity while they are on the floor. Although there are many fine qualities among his players, Mr. McCabe feels the boys are lacking in size, skills, and shooting practice.

Coach McCabe prepares his team by setting the game strategy and then practicing this strategy. His expectations for next year's team are a bit more promising.

**JUNIOR VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM** - - Left to right: Larry Michaels, Jimmy Michaels, Bill Moyer, Matt Kleman, John Myher, Steve Petney, Larry Gloster, Jack Shaw, Pete Kozz. Center; Larry McCabe coach. Absent from photo: Bob McCarty, Terry Moyer





Top left: Larry Glover and a player from the opposing team compete for a jump ball during a JV game. Above: Matt Kleman tries to move the ball down court as he attempts to avoid a player from the opposing team. Left: Jimmy Michaels dribbles his way through two players from the other team.



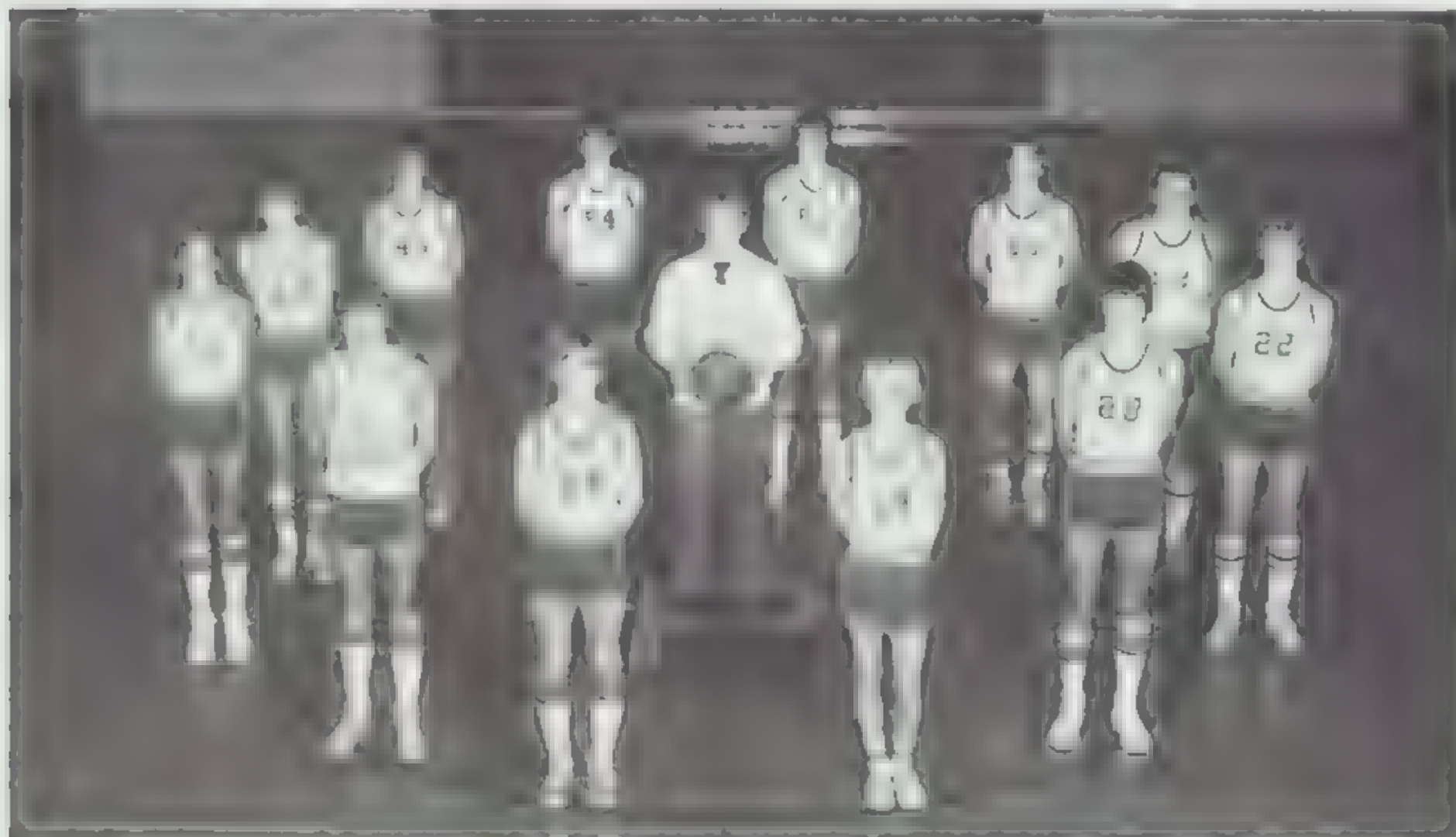


## Jr. High Basketball Team Learns Playing Fundamentals

This year, the Junior High Basketball Team's effort was outstanding. This year's team, under the direction of Mr. Gary Gouse, won the Christmas Tournament with victories over Penn Cambria and Forest Hills for the first time in nine years.

Mr. Gouse felt his team was quick and used their height to their best advantage. Although the boys did well, Coach Gouse did not feel that he had the bench that he would have liked.

Among the outstanding members on the team were Neil Glista, named the MVP of the Christmas Tournament, Rick Vermeulin, named to the All Tournament Team, and Mike Vocco, a second year starter who did a fine job for the team again this year.



JUNIOR HIGH BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM—Clockwise: Doug Gappe, Mike Vocco, Rick Vermeulin, Mike Koenigsburg, Mike Szwarczyk, Bob Cynan, Bob Cram, Charlie Plummer, Tim Wodoslawsky, Mike Budasky, Neil Glista, Bill Kern. Center: Gary Gouse—coach.



Right: Ray Nolan's back is on top of his opponent and on his way to a six point win for his team.



Right: The serious look on Terry Klein's face tells us that the tension is mounting as it comes time for his match. Above: Joe Baker does a switch tangle before he takes down his opponent.



# **Varsity Wrestling Schedule**

	Varsity	J.V.
East Hills	2	
Cornwall Valley	48	
Cornwall	45	
Cornwall Hills	5	
Deerfield Area	7	
Deerfield Middle	3	
Brewster	7	
Cornwall Township	6	
Juniata Valley	40	
Juniata Valley	5	
Central	5	
Clatskanie	1	

## **Varsity Wrestlers Experience Success**

Wrestling is a popular sport at PAHS. To prepare for a meet requires much hard work and self-discipline. The wrestlers' preparations consist of constant drilling on the various moves, conditioning, and wrestling scrimmages.

This year's varsity wrestling team is doing well. They are performing much above the expectations of Coach Doug Conlon. Coach Conlon stated that this year's team never gives up; they work hard and seem to have the inner drive that makes a great wrestler. Despite these strong points, Mr. Conlon feels that his team is lacking in depth, and he would like to see more wrestlers in the upper weight classes.

Coach Conlon is especially satisfied with the performances of his senior wrestlers: Jerry Whitcomb, Ron Handel, and Ray Nolan—three year varsity lettermen; Terry Klein—two year letterman; and Bruce Gossard—one year letterman.



**VARSITY AND JUNIOR VARSITY WRESTLING TEAMS**—Clockwise: Bruce Gossard, Gary Galla, Dennis Handel, Terry Klein, Ron Handel, Rick Davis, Jerry Whitcomb, Edin Whitcomb, Eric Branax, Mark Nolan, Joe Baker, Ray Nolan, Ken Beck, Ray Lee, Jim Fiszewicz. Center: Frank Tabata, Doug Conlon—varsity coach, Adam Skomre—JV coach.

## J.V. Grapplers Display Willingness & Drive

This year the Junior Varsity Wrestling Team, under the direction of Mr. Adam Skomra, did an outstanding job despite the lack of members on the team.

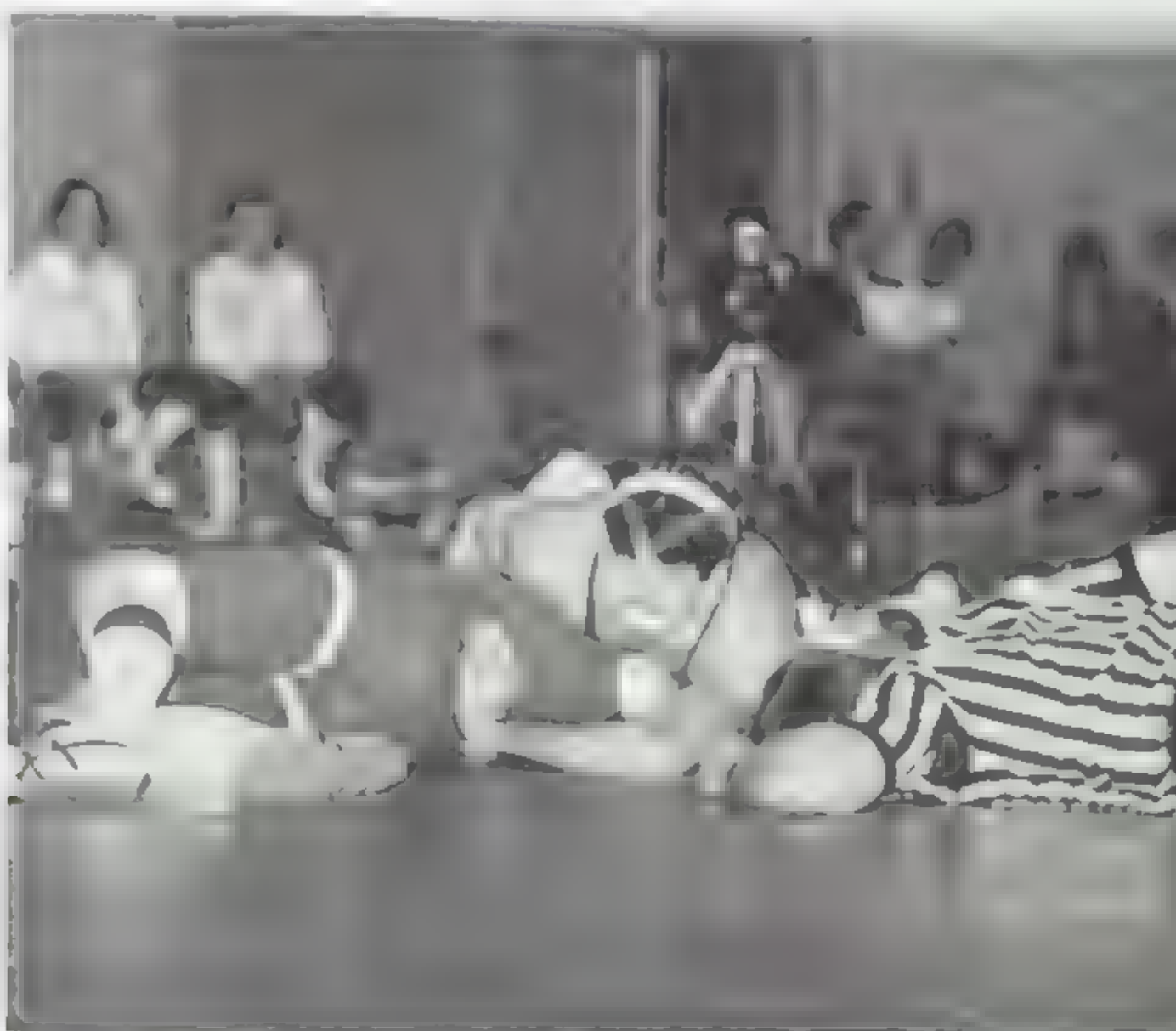
Coach Skomra felt that the team had the willingness to learn to become good wrestlers. In addition, these grapplers displayed much desire to excel. Their preparation consisted of hard work and many hours of demanding practice sessions.

Members of the team who exerted special efforts this year included James Fryzlewicz, Walter Fox, Kevin Myers, Gary Galla, and Frank Jubara.

As these boys improve and as more boys try out for the team, Mr. Skomra is hopeful that the next season will be a promising one.



Far right: Dennis Handel is on top of his opponent and on his way to a victory. Right: The expression on Terry Klein's face does not portray the happiness he felt after the great pin.





Below: Ray Nolan has a take down and a chance at a pin for the Mustangs. Left: Team members gather around to give encouragement and support to their heavyweight, Bruce Gossard, before his match



## Junior High Wrestlers Complete Successful Season

This year the Junior High Wrestling Team consisted of a squad of nineteen active participants. "Needless to say with sixteen weight classes to fill, there was no depth at any given weight," commented Coach Tony Tomaselli.

However, the 1980-81 campaign proved to be successful with the experience brought back by wrestlers from last year.

Standouts this year included Robert Fox, Doug Pauley, and Dave Hornbake, all from grade nine.

In addition to competing in the regular schedule, this year's team participated in the Glendale, Northern Bedford, Portage Tournament.

### JUNIOR VARSITY SCOREBOARD

	WINS	LOSS
ST. HENRY	10	0
St. Mary's Varsity	5	0
Concordia	2	3
St. Joseph's	1	0
St. Michael's	1	0
St. Anthony	0	1
St. Mary's JV	0	0
St. Joseph's JV	18	0
St. Michael's JV	5	0
Concordia JV	0	0
St. Anthony JV	0	0

Right: Joe Baker is congratulated as he tries to come up with a passing combination.





Above: Frank Juhara intensely tries to get his opponent on his back as members of the varsity team look on before their meet. Left: JUNIOR HIGH WRESTLING TEAM - - Bottom to top: Louis Wills, Greg Makosky, Andy Teno, Ray Foreman, Doug Pauley, Pat Flynn, Dave Hornbake, Tim Riskus, Gene Stewart, Mark Keith, Dave Tutwack, Don Stal. Absent from photo: Dean McCabe, Chris Pisarski, Tom Riskus.

**VARSITY CHEERLEADING SQUAD**—Left to right, row 1: Kelly Burket, Frances Franey, Tracy Haa, Teresa Walls, Dena Vrabel, Renee Olszewski, Debbie Pauley, Pam Wilcox. Row 2: Lisa Odenthal, Francine Shurt. Standing: Terrie Wytosick



## Cheerleading Squads Complement Sports

No sporting event would seem complete if it were not for the enthusiastic cheering of the three cheerleading squads at Portage Area High School. These girls attend sporting events both at home and away. In addition to attending sporting events, these squads also promote spirit at bonfires and pep rallies.

The girls are divided into three squads—varsity, junior varsity, and junior high. Mrs. Margaret Slonac advises each of these groups of cheerleaders.



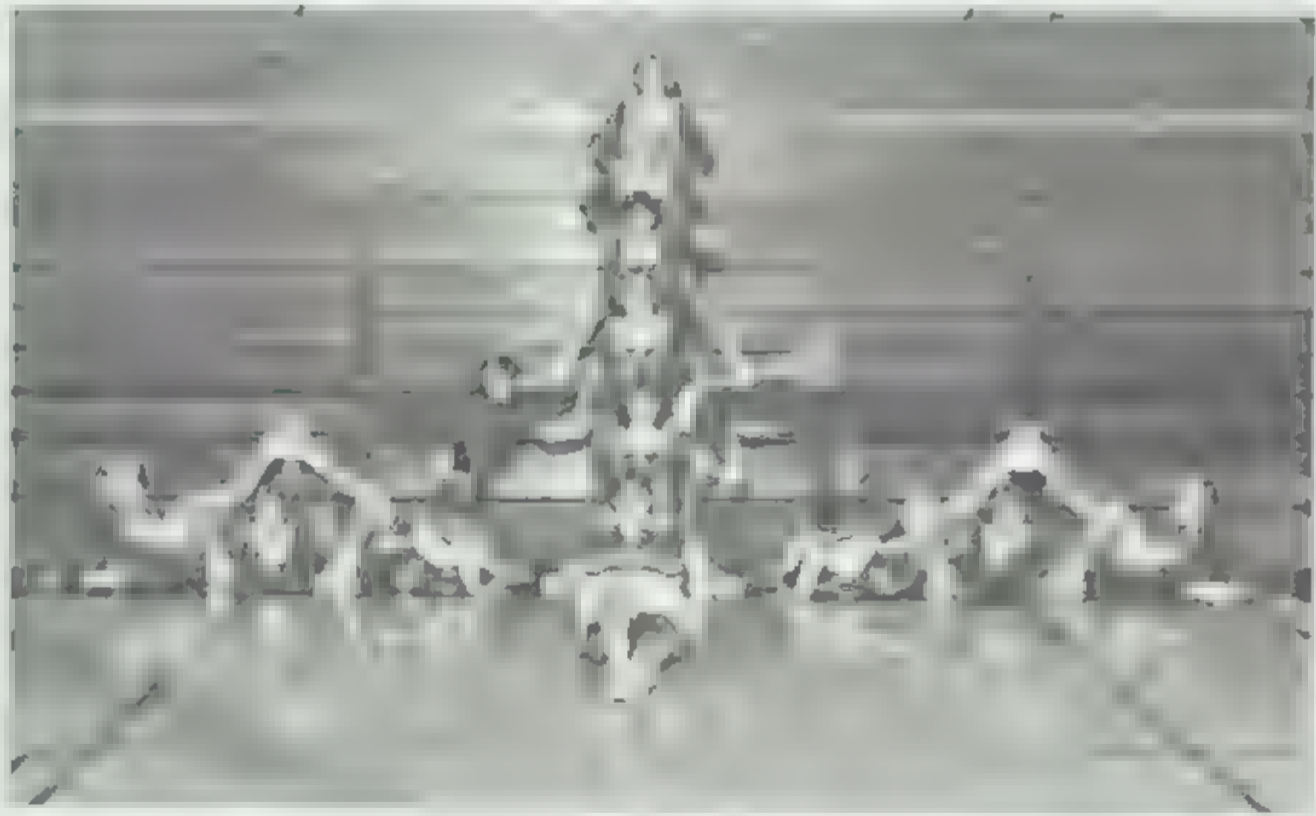
Above left: Members of the Varsity Cheerleading Squad perform a spirited cheer at a girls basketball game. Above: Deb Pauley tries to promote spirit as she cheers during a game.



**J.V. CHEERLEADING SQUAD**  
 —Left to right, row 1: Pam McCabe, Kathy Borenish, Karen Galla, Judy Letzo, Teresa Cyran, Marlene Klein, Paula Vanchen. Row 2: Kim Koban, Annette Gossard, Debbie Rorabaugh, Karen Gossard, Mary Kalinosk. Standing: Kim Richey.



Above left: Mrs. Margaret Slonac, cheerleading adviser. Above: The Varsity Cheerleaders are a creative group of girls. Here they perform a skit they made up especially for a pep rally.



**JUNIOR HIGH CHEERLEADING SQUAD**—Sitting in front: Michele Nobel. Middle: Sandy Farren, Val Sabala, Renee Smith, Lisa Seager, Michelle Etienne, Denise Wydosick, Dawn Fetako, Michelle Spahr, Lisa Roberts. Standing bottom to top: JoAnn Gossard, Lisa Diehl, Gayle Olszewski, Karen Mastaller.



## CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Portage Area High School offers a variety of clubs, organizations, and activities for its students to join. These clubs appeal to a wide range of interests. Students with musical inclinations may participate in the band, stage band, chorus, or girls ensemble. The drama club allows students with acting talents to develop them. Organizations such as student council serve the interests of the student body. The National Honor Society is a nationwide organization which recognizes students who have outstanding academic records. There are numerous activities, clubs and organizations which provide experiences which prove to be both valuable and memorable for students who participate in them.



Far left Drum majorette Jackie Penrod is seen the prep work as they play a lively tune during a gymnasium game. Left Yearbook staff members Jane Spauld and Kelly Barker pose for the yearbook by putting up posters in front of the ancient building. Below left Illustration of Queen's school Kathy Gallagher and her father Mr. Martin Gallagher walking to school. Below right the yearbook staff. Below right the members of the A.K. Club standing in front of the yearbook project.



## Portage Area High School



**PORTAGE AREA HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND** Left to right kneeling: Lisa Gray, Shawna Nossong, Tammy Varner, Jennifer Smart, Stacy Burns, Kathy DeMatteis, Brenda Smith, Kathy Graeber, Cathleen, Mary Fox, Karen Moore, Jackie Penrod, drum major, Dorene. Row 1: Tammy Leathers, Andrea Kette, Jess Fritz, Cath, Pisatski, Janice Fisher, Amy Fox, Linda Petrey, Amy Hough, Laura Smith, Debbie Zook, Evan Lucas, Samantha Jones, Stacy Vickroy, Tammy Shaffranak, Sue Koschak. Row 2: Linda Causser, Sue Stokke, Taylor Grause, Charlene Greenway, Diane Byer, Mary Kuchera, Kathy Graeber, Debbie Baret, Mimi Yetko, Linda Jones, Barb Whitcomb, Cath, Youngs, Mary Beth Nance, Bob Williams, Sherry Herwick, Kathy Giestke, Val Seder, Annette Schra, Anna Sma, Tracy Byers, Cory Whitcomb. Row 3: Kim Sweetey, Brenda Koschak, Kathy Koschak, Diane Rothauge, Becky Adams, Sandy Bryson, Deanne Carter, W.

## Mustang Marching Band

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## Band, Majorettes And Colorguards Enhance Half-Time Festivities

Led by Drum Majorette Jackie Penrod, the Portage Area High School Marching Band, the color guard, and the majorettes devote countless hours practicing for the weekly half-time performances during a football season. These shows are always well-done, and they serve as a source of sheer entertainment and enjoyment for all those attending the weekly football games.

In addition to performing at the football games, the band participates in area parades and takes part in festivities at the Cambria County Fair during Labor Day Week.

The pep band lends its talents during pep rallies and performs during home sporting events held in the PAHS gym.



Top: The PAHS Marching Band performs a dazzling routine during a half-time performance. Above: Majorettes Jen Smith and Tammy Varner complement the band as they perform a routine to the music of the band. Right: Theresa Rudolph proves that she doesn't always have to carry the bass drum in order to play it.





Above: Band leader Edward Neskes leads the band in singing the National Anthem prior to a football game. Left: Jackie Pentrod, a member of the band, stands on a tall structure during a performance.

Below: JUNIOR HIGH COUNTY BAND—Left to right, row 1 Debbie Zuck, Kathy George, Lori Gouse, Lynn Causer. Row 2: Lisa Sendzik, Trina Perney, Tammy Bloom, Kim Thomas. Right: Tom Nagy plays a trumpet solo during the half-time festivities on Senior Night. Bottom right: BAND OFFICERS — Tom Nagy, treasurer, Barb Whitcomb, president, Linda Teno, vice-president, Charlene Chernicky, secretary.



## Musicians Selected To Represent PAHS At Band Festival

Every year, high school students have the opportunity to participate in area band festivals. This year, nine members of the Portage Area Band took part in the County Band Festival which was held at Central Cambria High School.

Four students were involved in the District Band Concert which was held in February. These students included Tom Nagy, Mary Kuchera, Michele Koza, and Mimi Yetsko.

Each of these students put much time and dedicated practice into helping to make each of these festivals successes.





Above COUNTY BAND Left to right  
row 1: Diane Beyer Amy Fox Carol Vargas  
Katie Lucas Row 2: Michelle Nagel Mary  
Kuchera Jackie Penning Debbie Igartie Tom  
Nagy Left DISTRICT HAND Front  
Tom Nagy Back Mary Kuchera Michele  
Koza Mimi Yetsko







## Chorus Members Enhance Christmas Concert

After weeks of arduous and dedicated practice and numerous rehearsals, the Senior High Chorus, under the direction of Mr. Ron Black, delighted the student body, faculty, staff and guests with the musical selections which they sang at the annual Christmas Concert.

Some of their selections included "Gloria in Excelsis Deo," "Christmas Card," "Twas the Night Before Christmas," "Jesu Parvule," and "What Is Christmas." For over an hour on the morning of December 17, the Heritage High School Auditorium was filled with the melodious voices of these talented chorus members who helped to put a festive holiday spirit in the hearts of all who attended.

The chorus also performed during the annual Spring Concert.



Top right: The members of the Girls Ensemble sang Christmas songs during the annual Christmas Concert. Left: The Girls Ensemble performed with a festive holiday spirit. Above: Kim Sweeney and Tom Nacy, parents of the students, are seen in the audience.

Right, DISTRICT CHORUS REPRESENTATIVES. Left to right: Beth Wilmott, Toni Nays, and Jan. Far right, the Girls Ensemble sings. Christmas Eve at the Community Center.



Above, The Junior High Chorus performs during the Christmas program. Right, Linda Teno, a member of the Christmas Ensemble, was the Naylor Award winner.





## Chorus Students Attend Music Festivals

Each year, vocalists from PAHS have the opportunity to participate in several music festivals. These festivals include the County Chorus Concert which was held in February at Central Cambria High School in Ebensburg. Fifteen students from Portage Area attended.

The District Chorus Concert was held at Bedford Area High School in Bedford. Three students—Barb Whitcomb, Tom Nagy, and Linda Teno—participated in this festival.

Linda Teno was chosen to attend All-Eastern Chorus in Atlantic City in the spring. Each of these students has brought honor and pride to Portage Area through their participation in these events.



**JUNIOR HIGH CHORUS**—Left to right, row 1: Tracy Bevers, Renee Wilcox, Sherry McCarthy, Karen Mastaller, Gayle Olszewski, Lisa Diehl, Michelle Frienne, Mary Crum, Kristy Zabrosky, Lisa McCabe, Kim Sweeney, Breanna Koshak. Row 2: Renee Smith, Melinda Wilson, Alicia Simala, Lori Gouse, Michelle Spahr, Vanessa Sabala, Nancy Hutchinson, Denise Stoker, Dottie Burke, Missy Behe, Sandy Farren, Sue Farren, Susan Stoke, Linda Custer, Lisa Petney, Lisa Seitz, Lisa Zuck, Dawn Pimento, Missy McQuillen, Shelly Benjack, Janae Plummer, Sheila Sharpe. Row 3: Lisa Stager, Carol Pisarski, Lisa McLucas, Roxanne Maul, Susan Tygo, Diane Rotabaugh, Karen Mylier, Samantha Jones, Cathy Zock, Tracy Crum, Karen Zock, Dawn Pimento, Missy McQuillen, Shelly Benjack, Janae Plummer, Sheila Sharpe. Row 4: Cindy Bryson, Lisa Ritchey, Barbara Myers, Yvette Beck, Sharon Grove, Debbie Koza, Sherry Maul, Cindy Ornosky, Debbie Zuck, Kim Bentley, Carmella Campagna, Val Sabala, Tammy Poorman, Tina Mandichak, Jill Crum, Paula Seeriskey, Jillann Anderson, Michelle Neme, Dawn Gentile, Kathy Galla, Lynne Leturgey, Marybeth Sigado, Kim Thomas, Kathy Krisko, Sharon Hopper, Lynne Hopper, Sue Bryja, Jeanine Fennick, Gretchen Scott, Elaine Smith, Chris Hudak, Bonnie Michrini.

**STAGE BAND**—Left to right, row 1: Jackie Szuhaj, Amy Fox, Stacy Vickroy, Janice Fisher. Row 2: Linda Teno, Mary Kuchera, Diane Beyer, Jackie Penrod, Mimi Yetts. Row 3: Kim Thomas, Tammy Feathers, Lynn Federko, Bronwyn Skrack, Maria George, Michele Kosa, Tom Nagy. Row 4: Lisa Sendzik, Kim Sweeney, Mr. Black—advisor, Sharon Grove, Dawn Barrett.



**GIRLS ENSEMBLE**—Left to right, row 1: Dena Vrabel, Tina Lafferty, Natalie Morgan, Elaine Lucas, Stacy Vickroy, Robin Thomas, Val Seder, Sue Lutz, Tammy Feathers, Wendy Hazlett, Diane Bever, Diane Wright, Mary Kuchera, Charlene Chernicky. Row 2: Jackie Szuhaj, Karen Yersko, Denise Wright, Leslie Carter, Teresa Wain, Karen Foster, Cathy Feathers, Cathy Lantz, Janice Fisher, Lynn Federko, Bronwyn Skrack, Debbie Hagette, Sharon Fath, Lisa Sendzik, Kim Sweeney, Mimi Yetts, Dawn Barrett, Jackie Szuhaj, Mrs. Yersko, Barb Anderson, Lynn Teno, Mr. Black—Advisor.



Above: The Stage Band plays the Christmas favorite "Let It Snow, Let It Snow, Let It Snow." Below: The cast of *White Christmas* in a scene from the production.

**Stage Band, Girls  
Ensemble Accent  
Music Department**

Two special musical groups enhance the Music Department at Portage Area High School. The Girls Ensemble with both a Senior High and a Junior High division are under the direction of Mr. Ron Black.

At the Christmas concert, the Senior High Girls Ensemble performed the selections "Christmas in the City," "December Child," "Sing Alleluia, Sing" and "The Gift." The Junior High Girls Ensemble, a newly organized group this year, sang "Long, Long Ago" and "Good News."

The Stage Band also spends much time in preparation for concert performances. They delighted their audience with three Christmas selections: "Christmas Medley," "Sleigh Ride," and "Have a Swingin' Christ-

Both of these groups also perform at the annual Spring Concert.



**JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS ENSEMBLE** Left to right, row 1 Lisa M. Elias, Asha Seena, Gayle Chisewick, Kim Sweeney, Renee Walker, Michele Fennell, Brenda Kowak, Lacey Johnson, Lisa Sweeney, Stacy Bernack. Row 2 Sharon Givay, Yvette Berk, Sherry Chisewick, Kerrie Bennett, Kathy Gaud, Kim Thomas, Sheila Sharp, Marybeth Sigado, Jeanine Fedorko, Kathy Krusko.

## Brenda Smith Elected 1980 Homecoming Queen

One of the highlights of every football season is the crowning of the annual football queen.

This year's queen was Brenda Smith, who was crowned by Peggy Borlie, the 1979 Portage Homecoming Queen. Brenda is active in many organizations at P.A.H.S. She is a member of the majorette squad, the National Honor Society, and the Ski Club.

Brenda, who was escorted by her father, was crowned as the 1980 Portage Area Football Queen on September 26, 1980, at the Portage versus Ligonier football game.



Top right: Brenda Smith, the 1980 Football Queen, beams with pride following her crowning. Above: Junior attendant Kelly Burket is escorted by her father Mr. Walter Burket. Bottom right: Sophomore attendant Paula Vancheri is escorted by Mr. Terry Blough.



Left: Homecoming Court members with principal. Above: Homecoming Court members. Left to right: Carol Teno, Mr. Andrew Teno, Chris Borlie, Mr. Jim Borlie, Kathy DeMatteis, Mr. James DeMatteis, Peggy Borlie, Mr. Jerome Yetisko, and Kathy Gallagher. Foreground: 1990 Homecoming Queen Brenda Smith.



Left: Mr. Paul Smith proudly hugs his daughter Brenda after she was crowned 1990 Homecoming Queen. Above: The 1990 Homecoming Court smiles for the spectators and photographers. Left to right: Peggy Borlie, 1979 Homecoming Queen, Mr. Jerome Yetisko, Kathy Gallagher, Mr. Martin Gallaher, Mr. Walter Burket, and Kelly Burket. Foreground: 1990 Homecoming Queen Brenda Smith and her father Mr. Paul Smith.



Right: Leslie Castel works on issue of the Halltop



**YEARBOOK AND NEWSPAPER STAFF** Left to Right, Row 1: Diane Wright, Jane Spaid, Debbie Gibson, Elaine Hanev, Stacy V. Keri, Kathy Galligan, Donna Canavan, Michele Szabo. Row 2: Cathy Phillips, Chris Stoner, Keri Barker, Debra Vreese, Darci S. Smith, Teresa Watts, Debra Trusick, Loretti Hilltop, Anita Moore, Cathy Feathers. Row 3: Leslie Castel, Liz Troxel, Patti Okamichak, Kim Keon, Pam Burkett, Marie Krapko, Michele Kiza, Jackie Pearson, Dore Beyer, Nancy Richey.

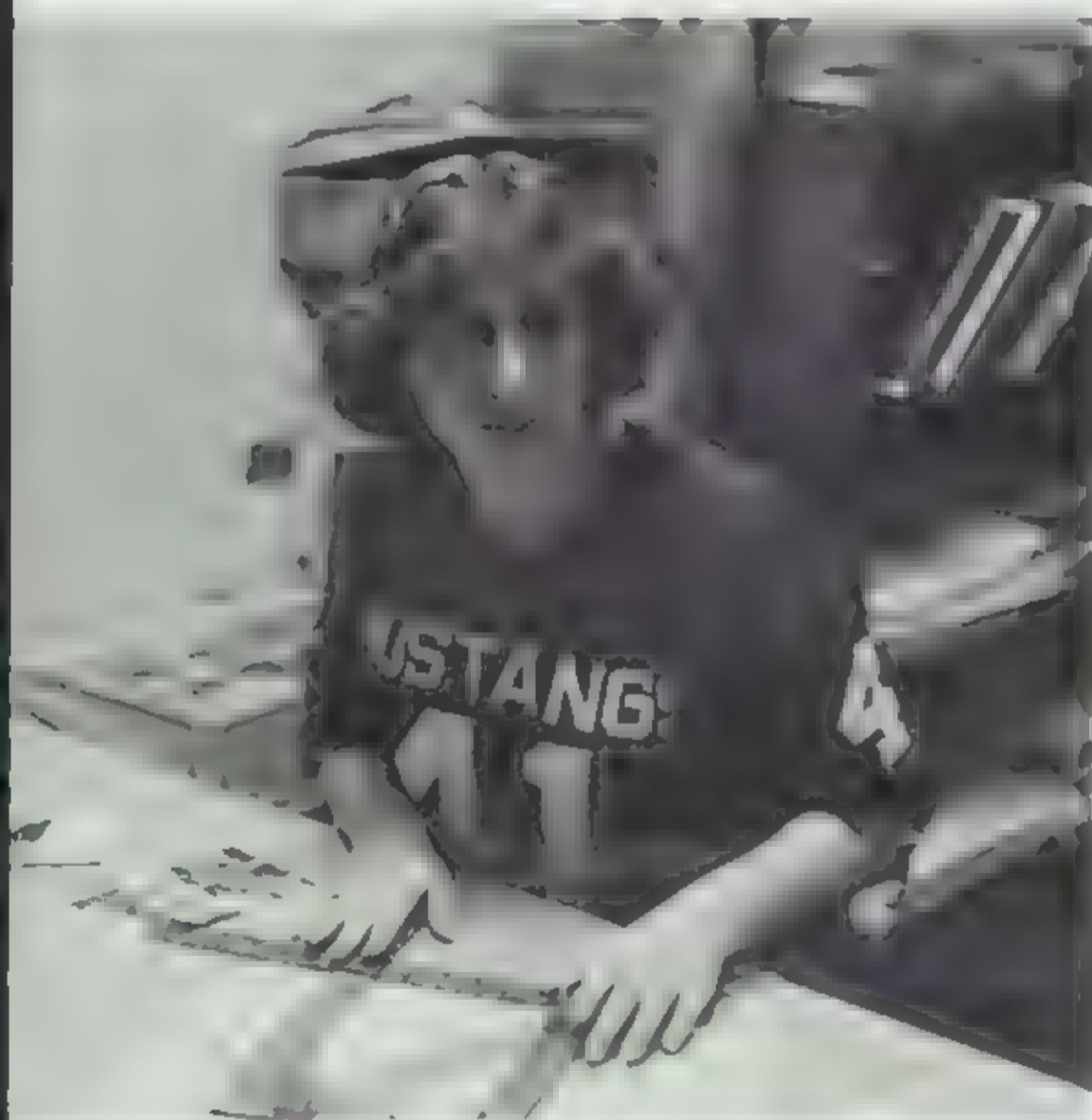


## Journalism Class Produces Yearbook And Newspaper

The Yearbook and Newspaper Staffs were two of the busiest and hardworking groups of people at PAHS this year.

These groups devoted much time to planning the content of both the yearbook and the newspaper. Then, there were the countless hours spent gathering information, writing articles, arranging picture schedules, identifying people in pictures, drawing layouts, cropping pictures, and captioning pictures. When all this has been successfully accomplished, final pages had to be proofread to check for any errors.

The job is quite demanding, but the students enjoy working on both publications and find the end results to be quite rewarding.



Top: Kevin Chappell, Teresa Walls, Chris Stombaugh, and Leslie Castel work on putting together the layout of some of the pages of the Hilltop, the school newspaper. Above: "No, you don't mean it," exclaims a disbelieving Nancy Ritchey. "My cropper can't be upside down. I've only cropped 200 pictures this way."

Below: N. H. S. OFFICERS—Left to right, Sonya Vargo Secretary; Jim Hochrein-President; Lori Patney-Vice-President; Marty Kerch-Treasurer. Right: Liz Troxell, N. H. S. member, gives a speech at the N. H. S. Induction ceremony. Far right: National Honor Society Inductees hold lighted candles as they participate in the candlelight ceremony



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY Left to right row 1 Pam Wilcox, Sonya Vargo, Jim Hochrein, Lori Patney, Marty Kerch, Bob Stoke. Row 2 Cathy Feathers, Denise Latoche, Teresa Wans, Dena Vrabie, Francine Shutty, Renée Olszewski, Kirk Dividock. Row 3 Mrs. Castel—Advisor, Melinda Sossong, Bernie Gorba, Ron Petrunak, Dave Yetsko, Liz Troxell, Brenda Smith, Gary Boast, Mr. Nyeste—Principal



## N. H. S. Inducts 22 New Members

Twenty-two new members were inducted into the National Honor Society during annual induction ceremonies which were held in the PAHS Auditorium on the evening of December 15, 1980. Three seniors and nineteen juniors were initiated into this organization during an impressive candlelight induction ceremony.

In order to be eligible to become a member of the N. H. S., each of these students must excel in the areas of scholarship, leadership, character, and service.

Current N. H. S. members conducted the induction ceremony. Mr. A. J. Pelliccioni, IUS Non-Public Coordinator, served as guest speaker. Inductees were called to the stage to receive their N. H. S. ribbon and membership pin and to sign the membership register. Then, they recited the N. H. S. pledge. After the induction ceremonies, the newly inducted members were honored with a reception in the high school cafeteria.

Mrs. Lorraine Castel is the N. H. S. adviser.



**NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTEES** Left to right, row 1: Janice Fisher, Jackie Pentecost, Michele Koza, Amy Fox, Sue Juhara, Sue Mandichak. Row 2: Kim Klein, Mary Strickland, Jean Styrke, Pat Parzak, Kathy Miller, Jean Williams, Tim Kosko, Tony Lay. Row 3: Mrs. Castel, adviser, Cary Barthe, Jackie Szalai, Tim Kobak, Vic DeMata, Gary Murray, Ed Rapesh, Dennis Harje, Ed Wozniak, Mr. Nester, principal.



STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS Left to right: Jim Hochrein—secretary Barb Whitcomb—treasurer Dave Yetko—vice-president absent Kevin Chappell—president



SENIOR HIGH STUDENT COUNCIL—Row 1: Lisa Markovich, Kathy Thomas, Sherry Lathenow, Sue Ellis, Shan Davis, Bob Williams, Bryan Jubina Row 2: Va. Seder, Lisa Odenthal, Joyce Fisher, Kim Klein, Trex Lavo, Joe Kalinoski, Laune Fedorko, Jackie Szuhaj Row 3: Francine Shutty, Renee Olszewski, Danette Szuhaj, Kathy Grainger, Barb Whitcomb, Marianne Bandzuh, Jeff Sossong, Ed Lavo, Jim Hochrein, Dave Yetko, Standing: Mr. Nyeste—advisor



Above: Student Council members Kevin Chappell and Dave Yetko sold lollipops to benefit the Heart Fund

## Student Council Represents PAHS Student Body

Student Council is a service organization which represents the student body at PAHS. Their primary concern is taking care of any problems among members of the student body.

Student Council representatives took care of registration for Open House in November and sponsored a lollipop sale for the benefit of the Heart Fund. They also hosted the annual Student Council Dance.

The Student Council has also "adopted" a child from Jolo, Sulu in the Philippines. The foster child is Hajya Jaud who received a check from the PAHS Student Council. This check was used to help to pay for her schooling.

The Student Council also participated in the Student Forum program. At the monthly Student Forum meetings, Student Council members from area schools met in an effort to improve communications between schools, administrators, and students. This year's representatives to Student Forum were Danelle Szuhaj and Kim Klein.



**JUNIOR HIGH STUDENT COUNCIL**—Left to right, row 1: Theresa Rudolph, Debbie Zock, Dana Moyer, Shelly Maul, Heather Burns, Richard Cordek. Row 2: Lisa Sendzik, Kim Sweeney, Janae Plummer, Dawn Fetsko, Cheri Hopper, Tony Letzo, Mr. Nveste—adviser. Row 3: Ryan Gasta, Debbie Koza, Doug Pauley.

RIGHT: Johnny (Fred Goetz) buys  
as Scrooge, Henry Law, tries to sell  
him a ticket to see the Babe of Bethle-  
hem. Far right: The three Wise Men  
(Bob Williams, Barb Whitcomb and  
Jeff Michaels) encounter the Search-  
ers on their way to give gifts to the  
newborn Savior.



Above: In the township of how do (Theresa  
Rudolph) sees a table where the members of the  
scene look on. Right: Scrooge (Henry Law) pon-  
ters how to get Frosty (Jim Hochreim) but when  
the Grinch (Carl Richardson) is freezing.





## Drama Club Presents "A Christmas Search"

On December 18 and 19, 1980, the Portage High School Drama Club presented *The Christmas Search*, an original drama written by Portage Senior English teacher Fred A. Vrabel.

The theme of the play centers around such popular characters as Frosty the Snowman, the Grinch, Tannebaum the Christmas Tree, Suzy Snowflake, Scrooge, Christmas Toys, and Santa Claus. These Christmas characters aid Johnny, the Little Drummer Boy, in his search for the true meaning of Christmas.

Johnny's search ends when he arrives at a cave in Bethlehem where he sees the newborn Christ child. He discovers that the true meaning of Christmas involves a spirit of giving to others.



**DRAMA CLUB**—Left to right, row 1: Wend Hazett, Kathy Galaher, Todd Shott, Rick Schall, Va. Seder, Charlene Adams, Suzi Lutz, Dana Meyer. Row 2: Lisa McCabe, Chris Huzar, Kristy Zahorsky, Karen Zock, Kathy Koshak, Michele Kozar, Jeff Michaels, Charlene Chetnick, Barb Whitcomb, Mary Kuchera, Sond Wilson, Stacy Vickroy, Fred Gray. Row 3: Dawn Pimento, Samantha Jones, Ann Zock, Bob Williams, Mary Sigado, Michele Sigado, Lisa Ritchey, Karen Yetisko, Gary Boast, Jim Hochstein, Henry Law, Ed Miller, Dawn Barrett, Kelly Andrews, Bob Adams.

## PAHS Clubs Offer Varied Opportunities

Portage Area High School offers a variety of clubs for students to join. These clubs appeal to numerous student interests.

The Ag Club begins its activities each with with its annual cider sale. This group also planned an activity for the end of the year. Mr. Benko is the adviser.

The Bowling Club, advised by Mr. Ronan, meets every Thursday evening at 4 p.m. at the Hi-Way Lanes for two hours of bowling. Students who bowl get a chance to improve their bowling skills.

The FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) is under the direction of Mr. Holtz. It is a national organization which emphasizes the importance of developing business skills.

The Ski Club skis at Blue Knob on Wednesdays in January. These avid skiers depart from PAHS by bus at 4 p.m. and ski until the slopes close at 10 p.m. Mr. Benko and Mr. Gruss are the advisers.



**AG CLUB** Left to right row 1: Charlie Adams, Jeff Michaels, Terri Wyrosick, Diane Wright, Lance Benko, Ed Miller. Row 2: Natalie Morgan, Bernadette Kostan, Francine Shary, Tracy Ellis, Barb Whitcomb, Linda Teno, Charlene Chierucky, Nancy Chobany, Chris Strombaugh. Row 3: Sonya Vargo, Patty Pohopin, Sue Ellis, Brenda Reed, Renee Ciszewski, Teresa Wans, Dena Vrabel, Elizabeth Trones, Cathy Phillips, Danette Szuhaj. Row 4: Wayne McQuillen, Dave Yetisko, Gary Murray, Marianne Bandzuh, Jim Hochrein, Patty Okamchak, Missy Neilson, Jackie Szuhaj, Mr. Benko—adviser.



**SKI CLUB** Left to right, row 1: Lori Parnev, Charlene Chernicky, Mike Diehl, Ed Lavo, Kyle Leslie, Bob Thompson, Debbie Pauley, Brenda Smith, Jeff Michaels, Kelly Burkett, Elaine Lucas, Todd Shott, Charlie Adams, Val Seder. Row 2: Eric Schall, Ed Miller, Bill Cardwe, Kirk Davidock, Tim Sossong, Ray Scatton, Bob Tavernini, Marty Kerch, Rick Booth, Craig Zaman, Mimi Yersko, Kathy Miller, Trisha Stager. Row 3: Laura Tavernini, Lisa Walters, Mike Kearney, Jim Hochrein, Steve Fedorko, Chris Grecek, Patty Pohopin, Leslie Castel, Kim Klein, Vic Denmata, Troy Lavo, Fran Williams, Tom Kosko, Ed Raposh. Row 4: Lance Benko, Alan Scatton, Bryan Jubina, Mike Makosky, Lisa Odenthal, Kelly McCabe, Debbie Rorabaugh, Annette Gossard, Kevin Lazot, Robert Kelly, Ed Myers, Bob Gahagen, Billy Corrente. Row 5: Robin Thomas, Carol Teno, Bonnie Hochrein, Wendy Hazlett, Susan Lutz, Joe Kalnoski, Bob Adams, Paula Vanchen, Steve Krisko, Mary Kalnoski, Wayne McQuillen, Diane Wright, Missy Neilson, Chris Fuzie. Row 6: Patty Gavaher, Kim Foreman, Ryan Pauley, Chuck Serenko, Karen Gossard, Terrie Chappell, Shari Davis, Robyn Adams, Denise Wright, Mary Kuchera, Bob Williams, Karen Yersko. Row 7: Carol Pisarski, Missy Crum, Diane Rorabaugh, Val Sabala, Janae Plummer, Carrie Bentley, Joann Anderson, Denise Stoker, Vanessa Sabala, Kim Sweeney, Renee Smith, Nancy Hodgson. Row 8: Melanie Chobany, Jeanine Fedorko, Ray Foreman, Jett Plummer, Tracy McVicker, Joe Krisko, Doug Redfern, Mike Solarczyk, Keith Kearney, Missy McQuillen, Katie McKenney, Cindy Baughman, Sherri Harlin.



**FBI A** -Left to right, row 1 Mr. Hiltz, adviser, Amy Fox, Donna Canavan, Sonja Vargo, Charlene Chernicky, Linda Teno, Debbie Batche, Barb Whitecomb, Brenda Smith, Pam Wilcox, Annette Scran, Carol Yogus, Angie George, Chris Kisse. Row 2 Jean Stoke, Kathy Zatek, Lori Crum, Kathy DeMatters, Cathy Feathers, Anita Miner, Elaine Hanes, Pam Burkett, Denise Latroche, Debbie Gibson, Sue Happer, Lori Pollock, Jane Spaid, Chris Stombaugh. Row 3 Barb Weaver, Carrie Lamar, Tina Lafferty, Loretta Hollop, Pam Parizaack, Kevy Miner, Diane Wright, Terr Wytosick, Janice Fisher, Kathy Kusbak, Sherry Smith, Jennifer Smith, Lisa Lamar, Kerry McCarty. Row 4 Kane McKinney, Ann Zock, Kathy Thomas, Teresa Feathers, Alice Gressick, Kim Popchak, Carol Teno, Sherry Latherow, Sue Juhara, Brenda Patrick, Sue Kline, Debbie Bauer, Linda Gray, Sarah Krum. Row 5 Sherry Baughn, Sandy Causer, Diane Vermeulin, Kim Robine, Elizabeth Poorman, Rhonda Samsbury, Cathy Walters, Becky Harrison, Judy Letzo, Karen Galla, Becky ( ) Shaben, Patty Roush, Kim Foreman, Donna Chappell.



**BOWLING CLUB** Left to right, row 1 Brett Randall, Vince Rylke, Mark Crum, Tim Price, Vic De-mara, Dave Rucker, Rich Rylke, Tony Leran, Joe Kusick, Mike Pinos, Wayne McQuaden, Gary Murray, Stacy Vickroy, Lisa Diehl. Row 2 Lisa Stager, Alicia Simala, Sherry McCarthy, Elizabeth Seepack, Kevy Miner, Natalie Morgan, Shelly Shott, Jim Neilson, Bob Shaw, Greg Letzo, Bob George, Mike Galla, Jeff Kisse, John Shury. Row 3 Jimmy Garris, Bruce Onder, Brian Johnson, Missy McQuaden, Michele Noble, Debbie Kuza, Cathy Walters, Jim Crum, Sherry Benack, Paula Secorsky, Robyn Adams, Bonnie Michena, Lori Wolterd, Barb Myers, John Lecargis, Ray Bene, Ron Kuntz, Rick Vermeulin, Tim Riskus, Bill Gordon, Ronny Smith, Michele Irwin.

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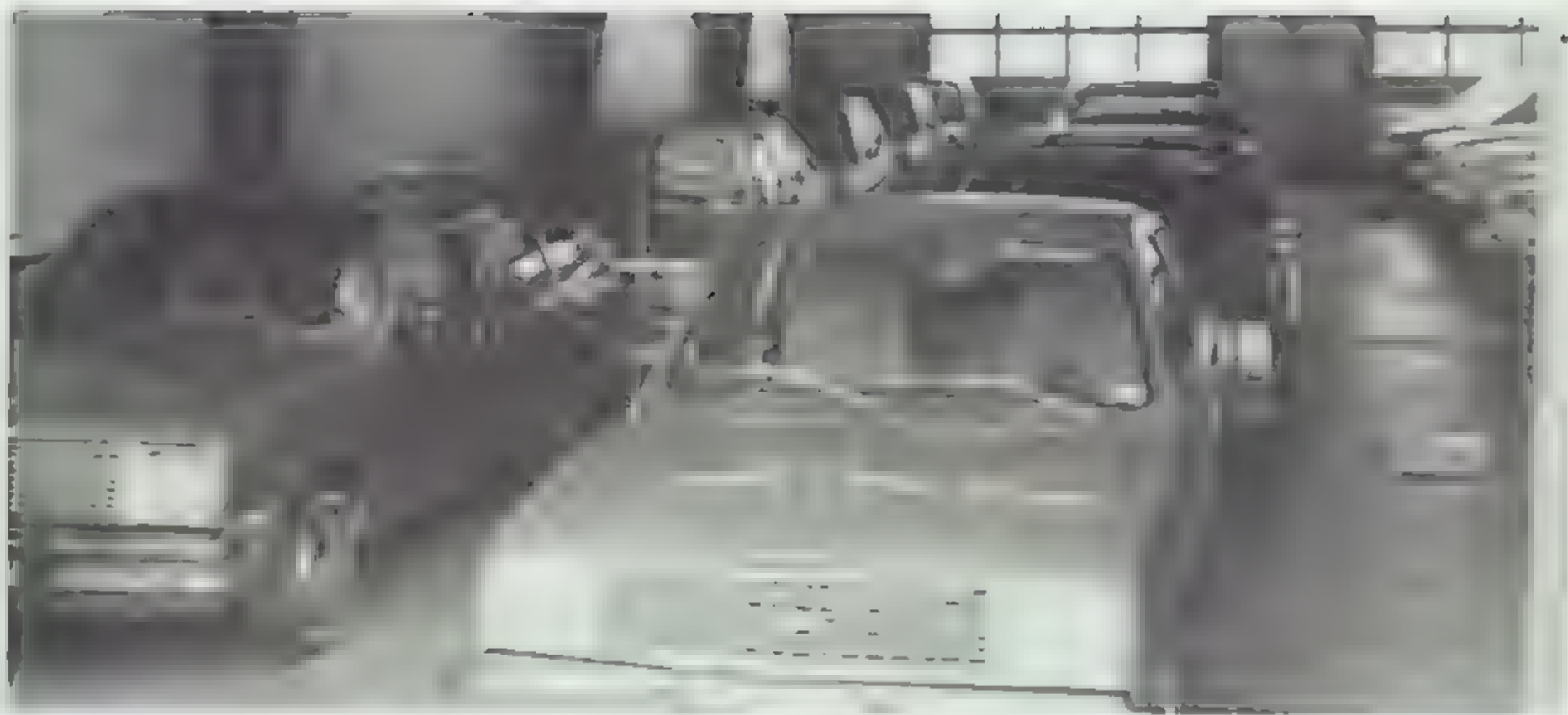


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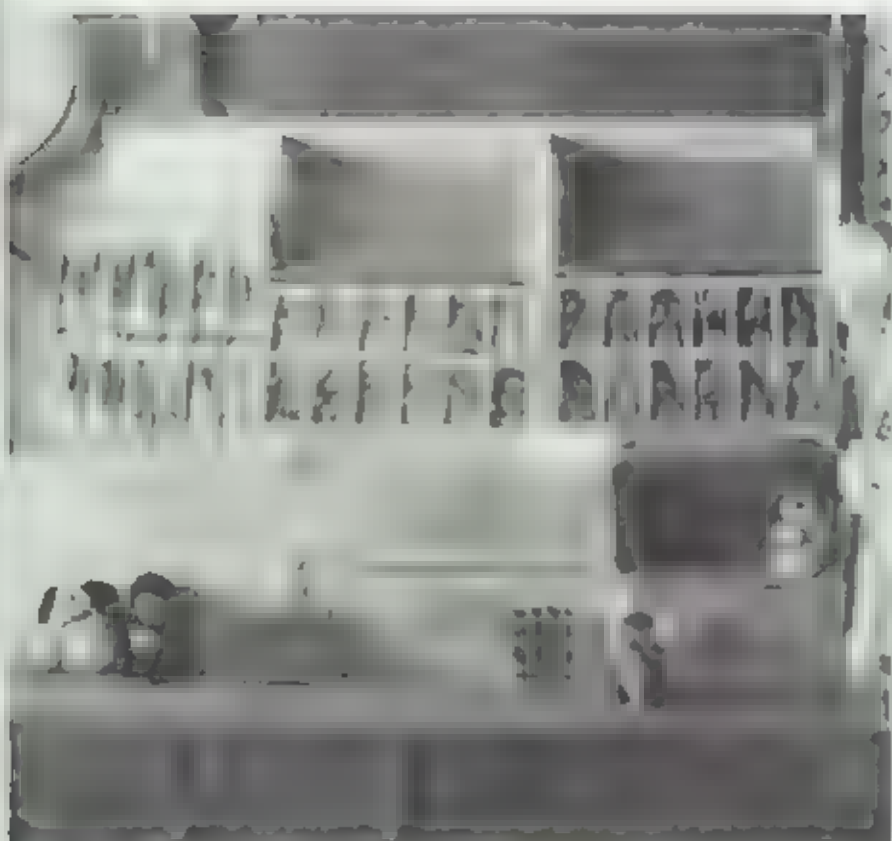


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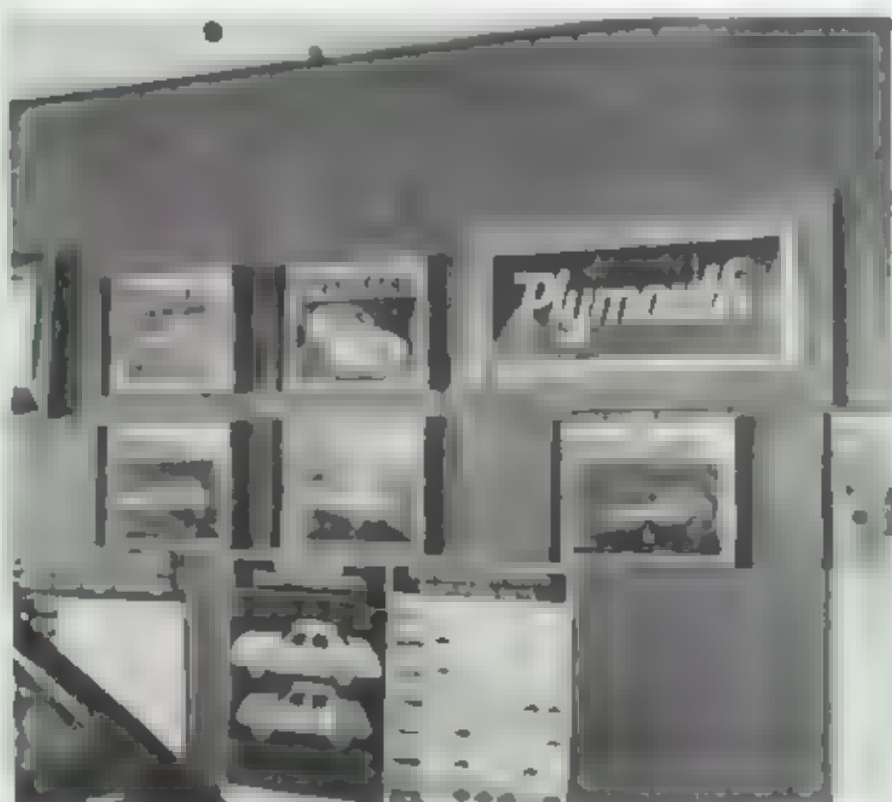


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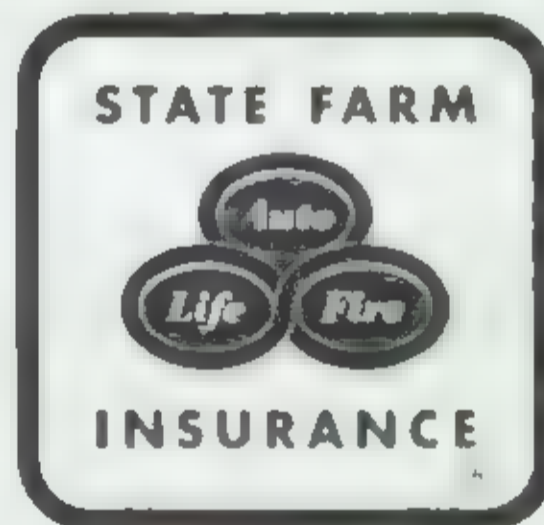
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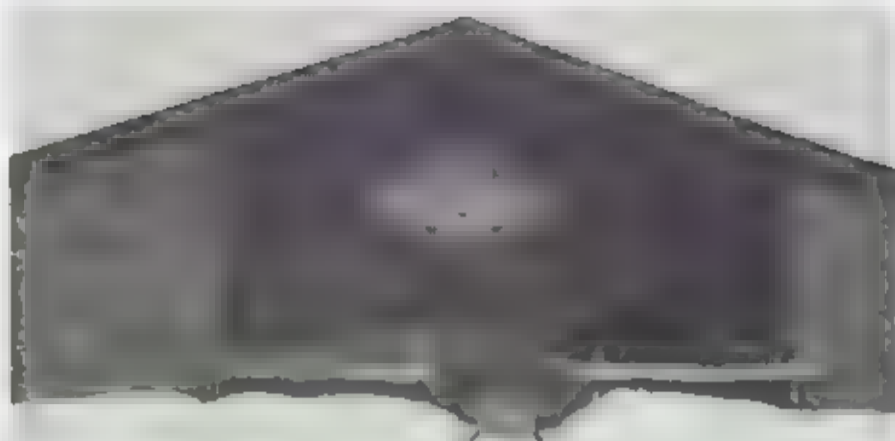
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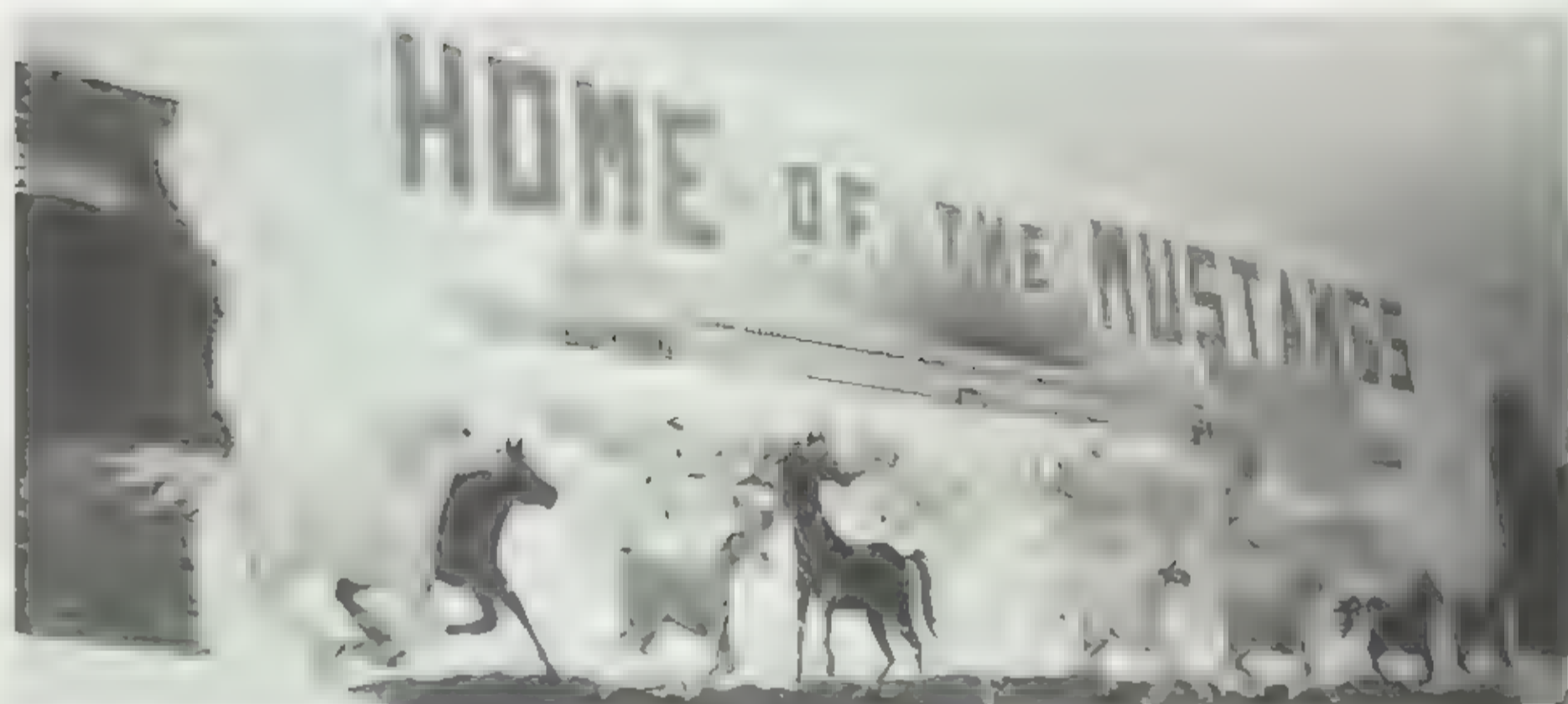
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# PORTAGE AREA SCHOOLS' ALMA MATER

Alma Mater, Alma Mater, Voices sing of Thee,  
Sing of Victories in the Past,  
Sing of Memories that Last  
Nestled in the Alleghenies,  
Guarded by God's own Hand,  
Alma Mater, Alma Mater, Greatest in the Land  
For Green and White, our colors true  
HAIL, ALL HAIL, TO YOU!



In retrospect, the 1980-81 school year was indeed a unique experience for all who were a part of it. We cannot relive those experiences, for they are part of the past. We can only remember them.

Each student spent countless hours in the classroom trying to master the content of his academic courses. This does not include the hours which students spent studying, doing homework, or completing a research paper. Students had the opportunity to master the basics of our language and to improve their communications skills. They also study history and government and learn various scientific and mathematical principles in addition to studying other curricula.

By participating in the clubs, organizations and activities offered at P.A.H.S., students become involved in experiences which they may not be able to share following their gradu-

ation. These extra-curricular activities afford students with opportunities which may indeed occur only once in their lifetimes.

Through participation in sports, students learned the value of teamwork, self-discipline, and cooperation. They experienced the jubilation of a victory and the despair of a defeat. These experiences often are indeed once in a life time happenings.

No matter what facet of the 1980-81 school year is examined, it can readily be agreed that it is indeed true that this school term provided experiences which are unique. We shall always remember all of the things which have made this year special, but it is certain that "we shall pass this way but once."

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